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COLIN 'DUMBO-EARS' MacBREDIN COULD HEAR A PIN DROP FROM 300 YARDS AWAY!

Man with world's biggest ears dead at 43

EDINBURGH, Scotland — Colin "Dumbo Ears" MacBredin, the famed Man with the World's Biggest Ears, has died at the age of 43, an apparent suicide.

His body was discovered by a family member in his home near here on November 3 and police say an investigation indicates that he was the victim of a deliberate drug overdose.

"We are stunned and heartbroken," said MacBredin's sister Ellen Coughlin, 38.

MacBredin had the most acute hearing ever documented by scientists, able to detect the sound of a pin dropping onto a foam rubber mattress at an astounding 300 yards.

MacBredin dazzled concert hall and TV audiences with his extraordinary talent, often standing on a stage and repeating, word for word, sentences spoken by audience members in the back row.

But life wasn't always glamorous for the jumbo-eared performer, described by friends as a shy and introverted private man. MacBredin waged a gallant lifelong battle with depression, a problem exacerbated to a great extent by his 6.8-inch ears.

As a boy, he was often mocked by other youngsters, who made fun of his enormous "flappers." They stuck him with the cruel nickname Dumbo Ears — a moniker that brave MacBredin later adopted as part of his stage name.

His incredible hearing, too, was a mixed blessing.

"When people at parties whispered unkind remarks about Colin's appearance behind his back or behind closed doors, they assumed he couldn't hear them, but he always could — and those barbs pained him deeply," revealed Mrs. Coughlin.

Even comments that had nothing to do with the elephant-eared performer could be hurtful.

"Eating in a crowded restaurant was torture for Colin," said his sister. "What would sound like vague mumbling to you or me would sound like a thousand distinct conversations pounding in his head. He said it was like being able to hear the thoughts of others and not shut them out." Visits to the busy city were especially excruciating, she said. "To Colin, a jackhammer sounded like B-bombs going off."

Attempts to reduce his sensitivity to sound by wearing industrial earplugs were unsuccessful. MacBredin even considered drastic near-ear surgery, but ultimately rejected the approach because it carried a high risk of deafness.

Despite his problems, MacBredin lived a full life, marrying in 1966 and raising a family. But he divorced in 1982, telling relatives the constant pitter-patter of children's feet was "driving me crazy."

MacBredin lived his final years in isolation, performing less and less frequently and spending most of his time secluded in his sound-proofed home — a prisoner of his own remarkable ability.

In the end, friends say the pain of his existence became simply too much to bear.

As well as his sister, MacBredin is survived by an ex-wife and three children.

BIG-EARED Colin MacBredin's ears measured a whopping 6.8 inches long.

Just how fast DO fingernails grow?

The average fingernail grows .0000038 of an inch a second. Thumbnails grow slightly slower and the middle fingernail grows slightly faster.

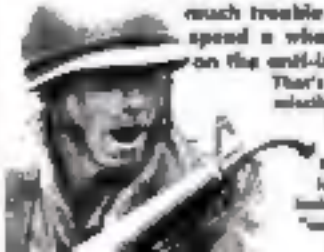
Impotent U.S. military shells out $50 million for Viagra!

By MICHAEL FORSYTH / Weekly World News

WASHINGTON — Red-faced Pentagon officials admit that America's military is going soft: Our fighting men are having so much trouble in bed that the Defense Department will have to spend a whopping $50 million next year on the anti-impotence drug Viagra!

That's enough to pay for 20 Tomahawk missiles, a high-tech Harrier Jet and a half-dozen sparkling-new tanks.

But the sex-drug spending is vitally needed to keep America standing tall, say the military brass, who insist that our armed forces be ready for "action" at any time.



Military cozies up for Viagra

$50 million bill grabs Pentagon

The startling revelation came to light during a Congressional hearing on military spending. Lawmakers were told that the Viagra bill would actually soar to a staggering $100 million if it were given to every soldier, sailor, airman and marine who requested it.

But the Pentagon is refusing to give the miracle drug to sexually functional military men who merely hope to beef up their bedroom performance. The pills will be issued only to men who've been actually diagnosed with erection problems by a qualified physician. Under those circumstances, it's considered a medical condition the way other sexual encounters. Tight-fisted Pentagon bigwigs are also restricting the number of veterans who'll get the drug.

They say that if Viagra were dispensed to every elderly military retiree who wanted it, at every Veterans Hospital around the country, that would eat up 20 percent of the VA's pharmaceutical budget!

Popcorn eye-popper

You can get dud popcorn kernels to explode by soaking them for a half an hour

TRAGEDY AT THE BEACH

LITTLE GIRL is shown covering granddad Claude Haderman with sand, totally unaware that he was suffocating to death. Her unsuspecting mom took the photo.

Girl, 5, buries her granddad in sand — and suffocates him!

SYDNEY, Australia — A fun day at the beach turned to tragedy when a little 5-year-old girl buried her granddad in sand — and he suffocated!

Claude Haderman, 74, was declared dead on the scene by an emergency rescue team. He had been pulled from the sand and given mouth-to-mouth resuscitation by lifeguards, who couldn't revive him.

"This was a totally innocent but very unfortunate accident," said police investigator Gregory McDonald.

"This little girl was just doing what hundreds of other children do at the beach every day. How many people do at the beach.

By SANDRA LEE
Weekly World News

cause the 5-year-old's name. McDonald did confirm that Haderman had been drinking before the incident.

"Witnesses indicate Mr. Haderman drank several beers at the beach and likely was somewhat intoxicated," McDonald said.

being in the sun all day. He probably just fell asleep. How

"The combination of a little alcohol and a long day in the sun caused this gentleman to doze off at the wrong time. He was never aware that his granddaughter was covering his entire head with sand."

Paramedics estimated Mr. Haderman probably had been dead for nearly an hour before anyone removed the sand from his face.

"His daughter, the child's mother, had been out in the water and when she returned to the beach she discovered

sand but it was already too late. We believe he had already suffocated at that time."

The girl's mother took a photograph as the child covered Haderman with sand. Today that picture is a tragic reminder of the heartbreaking accident.

"To make matters even worse, this family is from a small town outside Alice Springs in central Australia and they rarely make a trip to the beach," McDonald said. "I understand this was the family's final day of a five-day trip.

Burglars clean house — literally

POTSDAM, Germany — Police are looking for a gang of wacky burglars who've broken into a dozen houses in the past two months — and mopped, dusted and scrubbed the homes until they were absolutely spotless!

"These people break in through a window, spend hours cleaning the house and take absolutely nothing but a little food from the refrigerator," said investigator Kate Bauer. "The victims don't seem to mind a bit, but we have to investigate because what they're doing is technically a crime."

Kids find $23,000 & give it to cops

EL PASO, Texas — Two brothers, ages 5 and 8, found a bag containing more than $23,000 in cash — and promptly turned the money over to police!

Seth and Sam Brown were excited when they found the loot in a mall rest room, but they said they knew they couldn't keep it because it wasn't theirs.

The bank deposit bag also contained checks, and police traced them to a local construction contractor.

"He was very happy that they were honest kids," said police spokeswoman Linda Olivera.

A kinder, gentler China?

BEIJING — The death penalty is on the decline in China.

Last year, there were 30

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HOW TO SPOT A PHONY ROMEO!

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A Don Juan will whisper sweet nothings in your ear one day and break your heart the next — but it's easy to spot these two-faced Romeos.

"At some point in their lives, many [excluded] women fall prey to the irresistible charms of a Don Juan — the male counterpart of the femme fatale," said noted psychiatrist Dr. William Appleton.

Here are his tips on how to recognize a Don Juan:

■ He makes you feel special. A Don Juan is a real ego builder. He tells each of his women that she's the "ideal" he has been seeking.

■ He gives himself an interior appeal. He designs himself as leading an exciting out-of-the-ordinary life. He talks about exotic places, dramatic achievements, daring adventures.

■ He "tunes in" to your every thought and mood.

He's totally attentive. He's almost psychic in his ability to anticipate your wants and needs, like ordering you a drink or offering you a cigarette before you even ask.

■ He's never at a loss for words. He's a polished performer with faultless manners. He's lavish with compliments, and knows just the right things to say.

■ He makes you feel needed. He caters to a woman's mothering needs — usually by admitting to some minor trumped-up weakness, like a fear of lightning or a weakness for sweets.

■ He keeps you guessing. He sporadically "disappears" — not showing up for a date or leaving town for the weekend. Ironically, this makes him more desirable because it whets your appetite for his return.

■ He's a sexual Santa Claus. He's more intent upon giving than receiving sexual pleasure. He wants to overwhelm women with how wonderful he is.

Once you recognize a Don Juan, get rid of him before he dumps you. Dr. Appleton warns. Refuse to let this man take up your time.

"Don't fall into the trap of centering your entire life around someone who will one day abandon you."

New study reveals: POST-menstrual syndrome turns sweet women into raging wildcats!

By JIM LAMBERT / Weekly World News

LOS ANGELES — Get ready for a new kind of PMS, cos that's even worse than the dreaded premenstrual syndrome — it's called post-menstrual syndrome and it can turn even the sweetest women into raging wildcats!

"Twenty or 30 years ago, you didn't hear much about premenstrual syndrome, but now it's a widely accepted and medically documented problem for millions of women," said Dr. Wayne Starick. "My research shows post-menstrual syndrome deserves to be treated with the same respect."

In fact, Dr. Starick said several new studies show the post-menstrual variety affects women more adversely than the more well-known premenstrual woes.

A woman who experiences post-menstrual syndrome generally starts showing the effects as soon as her period ends. And for the next three to five days, her behavior can get worse by the hour.

"If something like this happened once or twice, you might think it's just a bad mood," he said. "But when a woman experiences identical behavioral patterns every month like clockwork, it's a medical problem."

RESEARCHER: Dr. Wayne Starick.

Dr. Starick points to chemical indigestion as the cause for post-menstrual syndrome. Dr. Starick studied one woman in Illinois who was involved in three traffic accidents between May and August. Each occurred during her post-menstrual week and in each case she was cited for driving too aggressively.

"She told me she was normally a very cautious driver but in the week following her period, she always drove wildly," he said.

Other post-menstrual syndrome women have vandalized property and engaged in shoplifting.

"All of these women say their behavior was beyond their control," he said. "Their common

Delectable Beth McGraw is a Redding, Calif., bartender and mother of two who models lingerie when she isn't whipping up martinis and margaritas. Leggy Beth, whose 12-year-old daughter is also a model, keeps her 36C-24-34 physique sleek by snow skiing, bicycling and swimming laps.

Gals outshine guys when it comes to creativity!

Men are the best brainstormers, but women outshine men when it comes to creative, imaginative thinking, a new university study shows.

The study of 180 college students, half of them males and half females, was done by psychologist Dr. Wendy Wood. She divided the students into 60 three-member teams — 30 male teams and 30 female teams. She asked each team to come up with answers to three questions:

1. What are the personality traits of successful people?

2. What are the factors to take into account when deciding on an academic major?

3. What are the features to consider, aside from price, when buying a house?

Fifteen male teams and 15 female teams were asked to generate as many answers as possible to each question. In the brainstorming segment of the study the male teams averaged a total of 64 answers, while the female groups averaged 47 answers to all three questions.

"Men proved to be better at brainstorming than women," Dr. Wood said.

In the second half of the study, Dr. Wood asked 15 male teams and 15 female teams to develop creative answers to each question, aiming for quality rather than quantity.

She and four students — two men and two women — evaluated the answers to determine which were more creative.

They based their decisions on how original the answers were, and how well they were written and presented.

"The females developed slightly longer, more creative and better presented ideas than the males," Dr. Wood said.

Why the difference between men and women?

Dr. Wood speculated that men are more "task-oriented" — that when given a task, they get right to it immediately.

Women, she said, spend more time thinking about how to approach the task. That's why the men came up with more answers in the brainstorming section, she said.

But women in groups are more creative than men because "they spend a great deal of time seeking harmony and getting everyone involved," Dr. Wood theorized. "This more positive social behavior helps women work together at generating imaginative ideas."

Noted psychiatrist Dr. Donald Hinsley agreed with Dr. Wood's theory.

"Given the same amount of time, males generate far more ideas and solutions to problems than females do.

"However, women generate ideas that are more creative and imaginative."

MUSICIAN FINDS BABY IN HIS TUBA!

VERSAILLES, France — A musician got the shock of his life when he looked inside his tuba — and found a sleeping baby!

Henry LaTrieux's horn was sitting on a park table when someone dumped a three-week-old girl inside. A note saying, "Please give me a good home," was pinned to the baby's di-

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How to eat out with friends and co-workers & stick them with the tab EVERY TIME!

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

You can eat out with pals on a regular basis and come out ahead financially every time just by following a few simple tips from a top money expert.

"Lunch out with your co-workers or dinner with friends can be a great opportunity to put a few extra dollars and cents in your pocket," says Los Angeles-based Roger Rivkin, who writes a nationally syndicated column on home finances.

Here are some of Rivkin's tips:

$ SECRET ON SPLITTING THE BILL – Remember getting separate checks would make it impossible to make any kind of profit on the meal — you must get everyone's money in one pot.

So when the group first sits down and the waitress asks about it, simply tell her, "This'll be all together." Then, in a friendly tone, tell your meal buddies, "This will make it easier for her."

$ ORDER SIDE DISHES – Ordering plenty of appetizers, drinks and side dishes makes it harder for your meal buddies to keep track of who ordered what.

$ ALWAYS PICK UP THE CHECK – Picking up the bill at the end of the meal strongly conveys the impression that you're not concerned about money and, more importantly, it also puts you in control of the situation. "It's like being the dealer in a casino," explains Rivkin. "And you know what they say about casinos — the house always wins."

$ MENTION YOUR MATH SKILLS – Volunteer to do the tough math involved in calculating who pays what. A good idea is to casually let it slip that you were captain of the math team back in high school. That will establish you as an "expert" and intimidate any know-it-alls who might be inclined to question your results.

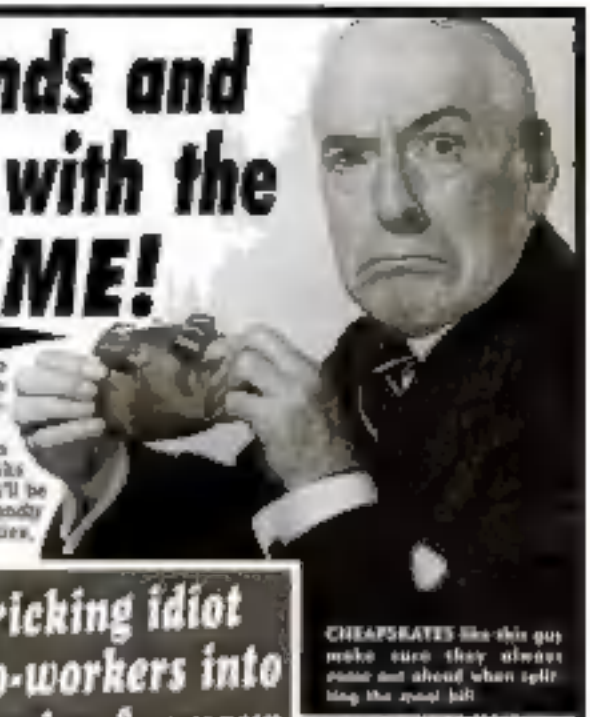
$ SUGGEST AN EVEN SPLIT – If you're done your job right in ordering more side dishes than anyone else, you'll end up ahead of the game if you suggest splitting the bill evenly.

Of course, if your meal buddies insist on each paying for the particular items they ate, refer to the group when making lunch or dinner plans."

$ USE YOUR CREDIT CARD – Volunteering to put the bill on your credit card makes your meal buddies feel that you're being generous — but it actually gives you an opportunity to clean up. Remember, you end up with cash but they don't know exactly what you charge on your card.

$ PUDGE THE TIP – Collect cash from your pals for 20 percent of the total price of everyone's meal, but then jot down only 15 percent on the tip line on your credit card slip.

$ SEAL THE DEAL – Adding a comment such as, "Geez, I bet I really cheated myself out of a few bucks today," assures your meal pals that if anyone lost out in splitting the bill, it was you.



CHEAPSKATES like this guy make sure they always come out ahead when splitting the meal bill.

Tricking idiot co-workers into paying for your lunch can save you big bucks, says expert!

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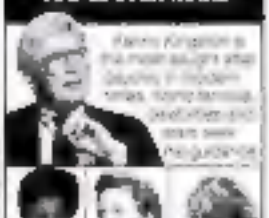

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DOG OWNERS BEWARE:

Don't feed your pooch chocolate – IT REALLY CAN KILL HIM!

If you like to treat your pooch to a little chocolate now and then, don't — because it can kill your pet!

Eating even a little chocolate can cause a so-called seizure in dogs, and a one-pound bag of candy can be just as deadly to larger dogs, reports Better

GOOFY ALLERGY CURES FROM THE GOOD OLD DAYS!

People who suffered from hay fever and other allergies in bygone days tried some wacky "cures," and a few of them — like snorting cocaine or sticking ammonia up your nose — were worse than the disease, says an expert.

"In the past, hay fever sufferers tried anything and everything — such as cutting off the tip of the nose, or stuffing leaves up the nose," said Dr. Herman Hirschfeld, an allergist for more than 40 years. "In the 1930s, doctors treating asthma used to prescribe cigarettes treated with a drug called stramonium, which has a terrible smell. I can remember prescribing the stuff. It really did smell up the place.

"Patients thought it dilated their lungs and allowed them to breathe better. Snorting cocaine was done up in part because it constricts the mucus-producing membranes in the nose of hay fever sufferers."

By SARAH GIST
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Hay fever sufferers often cut off the tip of their noses to stop sneezing!

One of the most bizarre treatments was a cotton swab dipped in ammonia, Dr. Hirschfeld recalled.

"Ammonia, as we all know, has a very strong smell — enough to wake up the dead. They'd take two of these cotton swabs and stick them up the nose.

"It was a very terrible treatment. The patients were miserable for a while, but many reported that their nose never gave them any trouble after that.

"I guess the thought of going back to the ammonia treatment would make my nose never give me any trouble, too.

"Then there was the sufferer who smoked corncob pipes filled with corn silk. They thought the smoke from a fire cure. I can't imagine that it would work, but some people swear that sniffing the smoke from a fire, usually a wood fire, would do the trick."

A really shocking "cure" was electric cauterization.

"People used to apply the electrodes right inside the nose," said the expert.

The idea was that it would burn a sore and reduce the swelling inside the nose.

"It would come under the heading of barbaric medicine now," said Dr. Hirschfeld.

Another useless treatment for hay fever was shining an ultraviolet light on the body.

Added the expert, "There was a theory that eating honey would cure hay fever. Bees eat pollen, which causes hay fever. So it was thought that eating the honey would immunize the body against pollen."

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER!

Pennsylvania resident William Sidler's birthday card arrived from Italy a little late — almost 40 years late to be exact!

The card arrived 39 years and 11 months after it was sent in 1966 and 31 years after Sidler died.

According to his daughter Helen, "He wasn't all that big on birthdays anyway."

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FRIED RAT DISH HAS QUEEN ELIZABETH SQUEALING!

BEIJING — Britain's squeamish Queen Elizabeth went on a royal rampage, reading aides the riot act and refusing to eat for two days — after learning she'd dined on fried rat at a ritzy state dinner here!

"Her Royal Highness clearly thought the dish was quite good, because she polished it off with gusto and looked around as though she'd love to get her hands on more," one shaken aide recalled.

"Then afterwards, she turned to her personal assistant, Collette Meyers, and asked her to find out what the dish consisted of — apparently thinking she would have the palace staff prepare the same dish back home in London.

"But a few moments later Miss Meyers returned and, with a trembling voice, informed Her Majesty that she'd just eaten fried rat in a delicate honey-mustard sauce.

"At that point, the Queen turned three shades of green, made a mad dash for the bathroom and didn't return for a good 10 minutes. I think it's reasonable to assume that Her Royal Highness lost her lunch."

Parsimonious Elizabeth's nauseating ordeal unfolded shortly after she sat down for a sumptuous state dinner with rodent-chomping Chinese Premier Li Peng during a recent visit to Beijing.

"Her Majesty returned to the table looking quite pale and didn't eat a bite the rest of the evening," jolted Collette Meyers later told reporters.

"Then they served an appetizer that consisted of strips of meat in a yellowish sauce, and Her Royal Highness seemed to thoroughly enjoy that. From what she said later, she clearly thought she was eating pork — and Her Majesty is quite fond of pork."

But when she discovered she'd actually been feasting on fried rat, the queasy Queen tossed her cookies — then threw her utensils at every aide in sight.

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herded us all back to the hotel — and gave us a 30-minute tongue-lashing that had us all shaking in our boots.

"Really, I've never seen her so upset. I'd been a personal assistant to the royal family for more than 15 years and she fired me on the spot.

eat fried sewer rat and it is up to her staff to save her from such indignities.

"And I guess she's right.

"But when you sit down to a fancy state dinner with the head of one of the world's most powerful countries, you just don't think to ask if

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"That teacher's GOTTA be kidding!" That's what little Norman Spratts, 6, seemed to be saying as he stared with disbelief at his very first report card. The youngster attends a Miami, Fla., grade school. So what was it that brought on Norman's pop-eyed reaction? He's not talking!

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2 Do something with your hands. Performing a simple task, such as tinkering with a car or cleaning out a closet, relaxes you and also makes you feel good about yourself.

3 Eat a "comfort food." Choose a snack from a happy time in the past, such as meat loaf like Mom used to make.

4 Sing along with your favorite music when you're home or in your car.

5 Work up a sweat. Rake leaves, go dancing, take a brisk walk. Physical activity helps work stress out of your system.

6 Take a mental "trip" to a special spot. Close your eyes and imagine you're in the most peaceful place on earth — such as a balmy mountain meadow surrounded by snow-capped mountains.

7 Avoid life's minor hassles. If you're fuming from standing in a long bank line, come back when there are fewer customers — or use the automatic teller machine. If rush hour traffic bugs you, window-shop until it thins out.

8 Set an 8 p.m. curfew on worrying. If you take your problems to bed, you'll wake up stressed — so read a good book or talk with a friend to relax your mind.

9 Recall a past compliment. Sit down in a quiet spot, and think back to the nicest thing anyone ever said about you. Savor the wonderful memory for a full minute and you'll feel calmer and have a renewed sense of vitality.

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MEN and WOMEN

FAKE LADY DOC BUSTED FOR MOLESTING MORE THAN 50 MALE PATIENTS!

By MIKE FOSTER

NEW YORK CITY — A bogus lady urologist has landed in legal hot water — for molesting more than 50 male patients!

Authorities say manhandling Maureen Dormer posed as a medical doctor for close to a year in order to indulge her sick sexual needs.

"She apparently has defiled these men during her so-called examinations," said an investigator.

"Most of her victims were unsuspecting construction workers and laborers with little or no knowledge of proper medical practices.

"They had no idea that they were being taken advantage of."

The bizarre case came to light after Manhattan carwash worker Tony Pugliesi fell victim to the loony, 33-year-old blonde.

"This lady brought in her car to get detailed and after I got done, she handed me a business card. She said she'd just opened an office in the neighborhood," says the 23-year-old Bronx.

"She told me it was important for even a young guy like me to get his equipment checked out regular. She was offering half-price exams for first timers, so I figured okay."

A week later, he made an appointment and showed up at the address on the card. "It looked like your normal doctor's office with diplomas on the wall and a waiting room," he said.

"It was kind of small and she didn't have a secretary but I figured she hadn't had time to hire one yet."

Pugliesi was told to undress completely and the "urologist" went to work. After carrying out a standard prostate check and hernia exam, she began to "test the strength" of his manhood.

"She told me it was important to measure me at maximum length and girth my testicles," recalls Pugliesi. "I said I hadn't been getting any complaints, but she went ahead anyway."

Pugliesi was given a clean bill of health and left suspecting nothing. It wasn't until six months later that he mentioned the episode to his dentist and was told the exam had been out of line. "I felt angry and humiliated," he says.

She's a doctor of art history, not a urologist — and may now face criminal charges!

FEEL-GOOD DOC Maureen Dormer took advantage of mostly uneducated construction workers and laborers to indulge her sick sexual needs. A 1990 photo (inset) shows the doctoral candidate while still in graduate school.

ALLEGED VICTIMS, from left: Tony Pugliesi, Larry Trimani and Bruce Schnorr, will file a sexual battery suit against Dr. Dormer.

Dormer was indeed a doctor — but held a doctorate in art history, not medicine.

When confronted, the red-faced part-time gallery worker confessed that she had carried out these so-called exams on at least 45 other men.

Alleged victims Larry Trimani and Bruce Schnorr say they will sue Ms. Pugliesi in a sexual battery suit against the phony physician. She also faces possible criminal charges.

U.S. government denies building invincible army of Steven Seagal clones!

WASHINGTON — Officials are laughing off a recent report in a North Korean newspaper that America is planning to create 10,000 clones of action movie star Steven Seagal in order to "build an invincible army of supermen."

A U.S. government spokesman called the two-page story "complete nonsense" and said the report was "totally ridiculous."

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Q Is there some kind of feud going on between squeaky-clean singer Brenda Lee of TV's *Nashville* and sexy vocalist Madonna, the girl who sang with her on that hit single, *The Right to Sizzle?*

-- Donna K., The Bronx, N.Y.

MEOW! Was there a catfight between Brenda Lee and Madonna?

A I read on The Drudge Report that Madonna — who took up in their first romance only — reportedly engaged in a lively alleyway catfight backstage at the last MTV Music Awards. The fracas broke out after the pair had finished rehearsing their song, according to the Get Real Daily Scoop. The paper says Brenda (Nashville), made the mistake of bad-mouthing one of Madonna's backup singers — as Madonna Arnold, stepped her Beauty allegedly pushed hard and then the two went at each other like a couple of wildcats. By the time the dustup was over, Brenda had a swollen lip, while Madonna was left with a black eye. The Daily Scoop said both pop divas managers vowed that the ugly brawl never took place.

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Q I remember that before their breakup, Superstar babe Tawny Anderson Lee and her soon-to-be-ex hubby Tommy Lee had each other's names tattooed on their bodies. Do they plan to leave them on?

— Tanya N., Harrisburg, Pa.

TATTOO DILEMMA: Tommy and Pamela Anderson Lee

A Happily, with the splitsville ending looking like a nasty, drawn-out affair, both Tommy and Pamela have decided to have their tattoos removed. Tommy's is being changed to read "Pamela's Ex," while Pamela's will be altered to read "Tommy's Ex."

★ ★ ★

Q I was stunned when superstar Belgian born model Claudia Van Damme told Chrissie Hollywood's Answer Girl that she had a monster problem. This girl just overflowing an incredible body a great catch, girls. What made him want to take his life with drugs?

— Carl D., Middletown, Ohio

STUNNED AND NUTS: Actor Claude Van Damme

A The Monitor does not usually subscribe to the notion that one has to be addicted to coke to pick up the occasional orgasm or two. But it did sort of have the desired results. To go further and further, to use the cocaine-induced new orgasms pulling a number of tricks. I think we must manage to remind the kids [meaning] drugs [people like] Van Damme that a orgasm only by bedroom's things that worked once. Drugs also support the stupid idea because you get paranoid," he says. "You lose your friends, your wife, your family."

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Q Most people think that Washington was arrested girl Monica Lewinsky is an eight-hundred hooker, but I've got this nagging suspicion that she's a lot sharper than she looks. Aren't there rumors that she's actually a covert Communist spy sent by the Russians to topple our government?

— Evelyn, Naples, Fla.

A The reason behind that the chubby cheeked Clinton aide is a deep agent for the Evil Empire rather than a Bad Chinese Magazine is completely false.

It is a fact that in Cincinnati with the KGB" the Beijing paper claims that Monica was sent to America as a child in the 1970s as part of a brilliant [illegible] operation. [illegible] Soviet intelligence [illegible] pedophiles was [illegible] when she opened up. But the plot backfired when the Lewinsky's failure for the Lewinsky spy. Others say that the most likely explanation is a retired KGB official who now runs a karaoke bar.

RUSSIAN SPY? Monica Lewinsky

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Q I was at this Hollywood party in Beverly Hills a while back and Schindler's List star Liam Neeson was there. When the music started up, I figured I would strike up and ask him to dance — but just as I got over there, he broke out into a wild jig and left the room. What's up with him?

— Judy R., Los Angeles, Calif.

A Liam isn't crazy about dance music and he has a very good reason. The 6-foot-4 hunk is one of Hollywood's top sex symbols today but as a youth in Ireland, he was a gawky, pimple-faced boy who was terrified of girls and painfully shy. That caused the tall blond dancer real heartache in later years — especially since when the awkward, pimple-faced youth was invited to be the partner to ask a girl to dance, he was often turned down.

"If you were turned down by a girl, you thought you would die of embarrassment," he said in an interview. "Every time I hear rock music I start to feel the old fear. Sometimes

FEAR OF DANCING: Liam Neeson

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National trend from chopsticks to silverware TRICKIER than Mr. Moto thought!

By JOE HIGGINS
Daily News Staff...

Klutzy Japs poking their eyes out — with FORKS!

Hundreds have wound up in hospitals!

TOKYO — Dozens of dinghat Japanese businessmen have landed in hospitals in recent months after they chucked their chopsticks in favor of a fork — and wound up poking an eye out with the newfangled utensil!

"Many people here just cannot master the use of the fork, no matter how hard they try — and often their clumsiness ends in tragedy," said New York-born Nikki Lusta, who runs a school on Western etiquette for fat-cat Tokyo tycoons.

"For these poor people using with a fork is a real kamikaze mission. They jab themselves in the cheek, they jab themselves in the tongue, they jab themselves in the forehead — and all too often, they jab themselves in the eye and put their eye out. To think they're doing this just to impress American business associates is really very sad."

Since March 1994, at least three dozen klutzy diners from Takamatsu to Tokyo to Otaru have bloodied themselves while trying to shovel in raw fish and rice with a fork — and hundreds more have gouged themselves blindy.

"I've seen them come into the emergency room with bleeding teeth, and with dusty eyes and gashes and fork marks all over their faces," said member Dr. Susumu Sato. "And since August, I've personally treated five men and one woman with severe eye injuries.

"My advice to my fellow countrymen would be to stick with chopsticks — because those forks will be the death of us."

The killer silverware began chipping teeth and eyeballs last year after world leaders started pressuring the Japanese to drop their chopsticks and take up forks.

For years, experts say, millions of noodle-guzzling Japanese have been gouging gaping holes in the world's priceless timber supply, mowing down our lush rain forests like an endless army of termites to make the chopsticks destined for Tokyo's trash heap.

Last year alone, politicians and businessmen in Brazil, Canada, Malaysia and Indonesia — all to build 15,000 kiosk homes. "Pressure from the international community has tempted many Japanese to try using Western-style tableware," cyberphysicist Nikki Lusta told reporters.

"But lots of wealthy businessmen want to abandon their old-fashioned chopsticks and learn to use Western eating utensils for purely selfish reasons — so they can conduct business in America and become even richer than they already are.

"Unfortunately, they're not very good at it. Many of these highbrow businessmen Western table manners.

"But really, I never dreamed I'd have to have an ambulance and two paramedics standing by at every class just to keep them from committing harm harm with a fork."

Heartless Japs out

Barber leaves wife $1.00 — to buy herself poison

...and more of history's most bizarre wills!

Some of history's smallest wills were parting gestures written with funny, malicious, political or just downright eccentric twists.

The will of noted French satirist Francois Rabelais said simply "I have nothing. I owe much. The rest I leave to the poor."

In 1585 David Bargat of Toronto drew up a will establishing a trust fund of $50,000 for "the construction of an apartment house for the poor."

Remarriage was on the minds of at least two whimsical souls when they drew up their wills.

In 1722 William Blackett of Plymouth, England, wrote in his will that if any his wife had been "troubled with any other old box. I request she will think of marrying a second."

German poet Heinrich Heine took a different view in 1854 he left everything to his wife provided she remarry at once "to make sure there will be at least one that is regret his death."

Other wishful wills that were directed at their wives were filled with outright vengeance. Barbet Adelbert Rudolf of Worcester, Mass., left his wife "a dollar to buy poison."

Australian businessman Francis Lord was especially generous leaving his wife 11 cents "for I know she has some place to spend herself."

Some people used their wills to express feelings for their country. Italian immigrant Tomaso Campisi of Newark, N.J., saved $15,000 at a minimum interest before his death in 1896. He bequeathed the entire sum to the U.S. government "because this country has been good to me."

When staunch Republican John Hopper of Freehold, N.J. died in 1849 he left his body "in strong and absolute opposition to President Franklin D. Roosevelt and his dynasty so that my descendants may always hold up their heads in pride."

Some, like John Reed and James Bentham, let us in on the joke of bequeathing part of their estate as proof of their eccentricity.

Reed, a stage electrician in Philadelphia, willed his skull to a theater on the condition that "it be used forever in Hamlet as the skull of Yorick."

In 1827 Bentham left a substantial sum to the University College Hospital in London stipulating "I shall continue to sit at the head of the board when [my] will is considered."

For more than a century after his death, the dressed-up skeleton of Bentham was propped in the chairman's seat whenever the hospital trustees met.

Another noteworthy stipulation appeared in the will of Rosanna Dorrance in 1903 her every wish carried an additional penalty if she didn't keep her quest's goldfish dressed in tights "for the sake of decency."

But for sheer folly, the result of a will left in a mountain woman from Chatham County, N.C., can hardly be topped. She left everything to "Almighty God."

The probate court issued a summons for God and the sheriff went through the motions of trying to serve it. His final report in the court said: "After due and diligent search, Almighty God cannot be found in Chatham County, N.C."

VAMPIRE CITY!

The small city of Biscay, Romania, is the only place in the world where vampires outnumber normal people, according to European census takers.

Scientists discover massive piece of dinosaur poop!

EASTEND, Canada — Excited scientists say they've made one of the most important discoveries of all time — a piece of dinosaur excrement measuring a whopping 11½ inches in diameter.

Paleontologists say the petrified specimen, found in a remote canyon here in Saskatchewan, could help solve many mysteries surrounding the dinosaur's diet and digestive system.

Paleontologists theorize that light on the diet of the ferocious carnivores, experts say. Until now, it was believed the giant predator ate almost its prey and ground it down to tiny shards. But the discovery of this huge fragment has scientists rethinking their theories.

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ABE LINCOLN WAS THE FATHER OF PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING!

By WEAT PERRY
Weekly World News

Abe [redacted] outrageous costumes — & trapped opponents in the Lincoln Leglock!

HISTORIAN Edward Huston.

DES MOINES, Iowa — Abraham Lincoln was more than the 16th President of the United States — he was the father of modern-day professional wrestling!

"You heard it right! Ask historian and big Abe fan Edward Huston. Abe was a pretty fair wrestler when he was young, but new facts reveal that he often employed tactics and showmanship used by every pro wrestling star from Gorgeous George to Dusty the Drifter to Hulk Hogan. And he even occasionally wrestled wearing a mask.

"Lincoln would shudder the dull old wrestling moves in the ring today like the sporting crowd and flying spectacle. He was considered loud and boisterous and many times drew like wrestlers do today," said U.S. history expert Edward Huston.

PRO WRESTLER Hulk Hogan

Back in the 1830s when Lincoln was using this sort of behavior was unheard of. Wrestling was considered a gentleman's sport in which rarely two fought fully and always shook hands at the conclusion of a match. Lincoln changed all that.

"Abe understood how important it was to put on a good show for the fans," Huston said. "He would even come out wearing outrageous costumes. In fact, that was when he first started wearing a top hat.

In the early days, Lincoln wasn't afraid to antagonize the fans. "He would make some of the people sitting around the ring mean as they worked up," Huston said. "And if a locked leg or arm hold [illegible] match, he'd pull some very hooded trick like biting his opponent with a wooden tooth!"

Lincoln wasn't always a happy wrestler. He also pointed to parts of the fair grounds, especially where he would race in and [illegible] but shockingly these matches were fixed.

"Abe would give part of his pay for the [illegible] to the [illegible]

IF HONEST ABE were alive today he would be pumped up and riled down as shown in this eye-popping illustration

He did this after he started [illegible] wrestled professionally after he was elected President, but I swear I wouldn't be surprised if he did."

Lincoln is currently being honored with an eight-foot mural displayed prom-

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MY AMERICA By ED ANGER

INVITE A REDSKIN TO THANKSGIVING DINNER

I'm madder than Sitting Bull with hemorrhoids! Thanksgiving is just a couple of weeks away and all the liberals are moaning about how badly we've treated the American Indians.

LET'S MAKE UP for more than 400 years of being anti-social and invite some worthy injun like the Lone Ranger's faithful Indian friend, to Thanksgiving dinner this year.

'The Indians have it better than at any time in their history. They're making wampum hand over fist with their reservation gambling casinos and bingo parlors. Buffaloes are bred as big as Hummers on the Great Plains. And eagle feathers are making those colorful Indian war bonnets are selling at a 20 year low.

What's more, the new polyester materials for making teepees are not only mold proof — they also come with a money-back guarantee against rips and tears.

But I think we can do more by protest. That's why I'm proposing an Invite-A-Redskin-To-Thanksgiving Dinner celebration this year.

Hey. If you live near an Indian reservation, it oughta be easy as pumpkin pie to pick up an Indian or two to share the old turkey and dressing.

But you don't even have to live near a reservation to find plenty of Indians. Even folks with one quarter Indian blood will do in a pinch and they're all over the place. All you have to do is ask.

And if you can't find a real live redskin, have somebody dress up as one to get into the spirit.

Or get the women's club of the house to play squaws for the holidays. Indian women were not their men. And that's the way God intended and it should save them some good practice for the rest of the year.

Or you could always serve a few NEW Americans — Thanksgiving dinner if the injun thing doesn't appeal to you.

Last year, I had the Lopezes, who recently married their Guatemalan name over but a little of the old lard. But they are real starter watherme them ed back. Now that's a hell of a way to treat the folks who ended up moving out to the whole mar would move in, for Pete's sake.

So let's make up for 400 years of being anti-social and invite some worthy buck or squaw to sit at the head of your table this Thanksgiving.

Ed Anger

. . . and celebrate just like the Pilgrims did!

eating heaven gave at my Thanksgiving table than the Lopezes washing down their beef tacos with tequila. So enjoy and feast.

But what makes me so celebrating mad is that after the First Thanksgiving with the Pilgrims the Indians were never invi-

Gal spends $30,000 to turn her teeth into metal fangs!

By MIKE FOSTER/Weekly [illegible]

RENO, Nev. — Kinky call girl Kelli Burdan has had all her teeth capped with razor-sharp titanium fangs — and her male customers are tickled pink by her astonishing new look!

The curvy 24-year-old brunette says business has been booming since she had the lethal-looking enhancements added to her choppers over the summer.

"Guys can't take their eyes off my teeth," reveals wall-eyed, dark-eyed Kelli. "And there's a particular love act most of them request as soon as even though the risk is very obvious. I think knowing that with one bite I can make their manhood history actually gives them an extra thrill.

Kelli has been in "the life" in Nevada, where prostitution is legal in some places, since 1988. But it was only in June that she lit up on the notion of turning her mouth into a shark-like row of jagged blades.

The dental work cost a whopping $30,000 — and a man will worth it to Kelli, who can raise in as much as $10,000 a day from her bedroom romps.

"Before I was charging $700 for a date. Now with my new teeth in, I command $2,000 easy," says the happy hooker.

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- A baby blue whale weighs 4,000 pounds.

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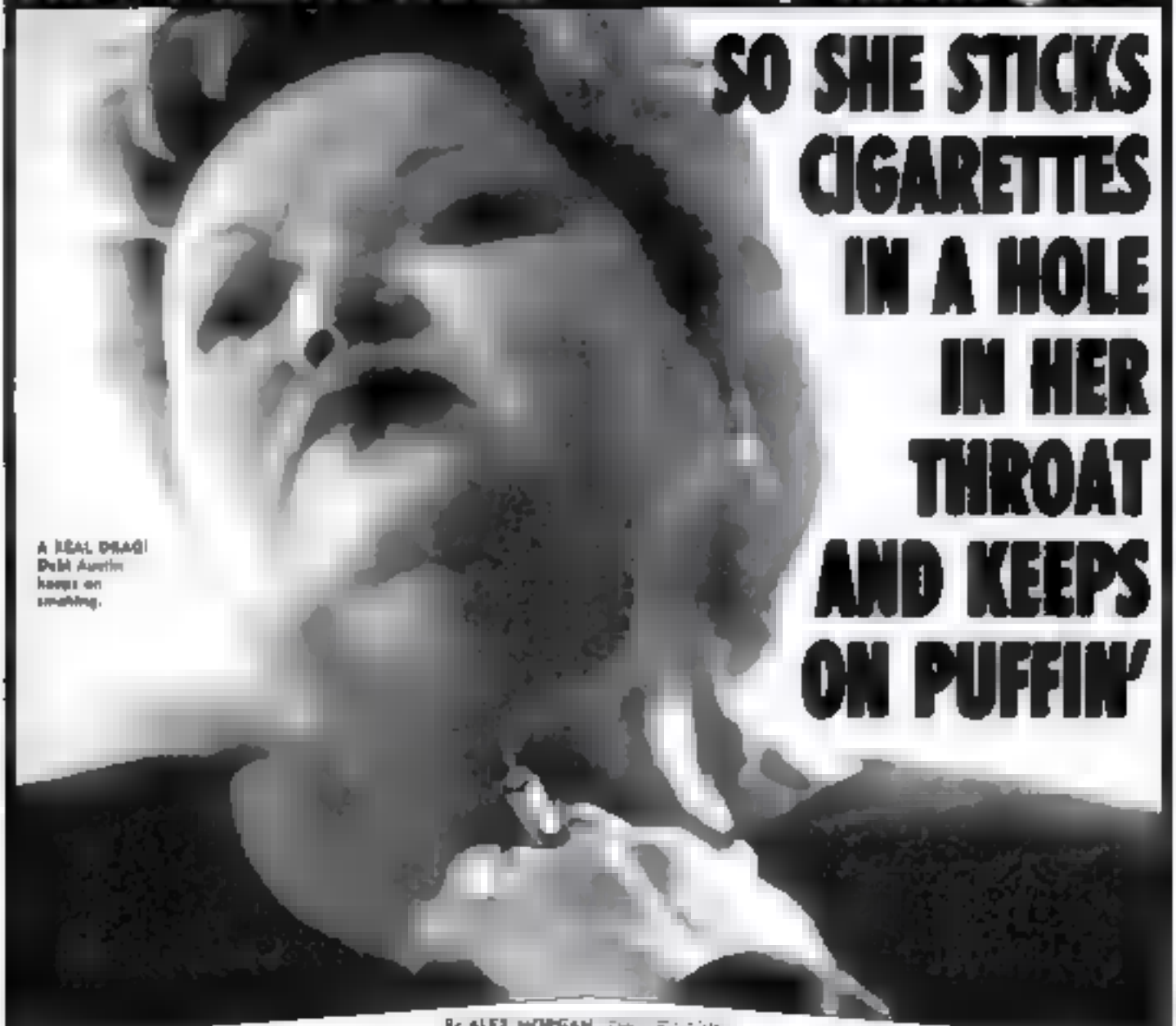

A REAL DRAG! Debi Austin keeps on smoking.

By ALEX MORGAN

Debi Austin smoked so many cigarettes she had to have her cancerous larynx cut out — but now she smokes through a hole in her throat where her voice box used to be!

But believe it or not, the 47-year-old lady from Califor-

lights up and starts puffing away.

Miss Austin says she knows her startling ritual is ridiculous and swears she wants to kick the habit that she started

is so bad that she can't resist the overwhelming temptation to light me up and stick it right in her neck.

You can bet people always stare when she sticks a lighted

NASTY FOLKS MORE LIKELY TO HAVE AUTO ACCIDENTS!

By MICHAEL K. TODD / Weekly World News

If you go through life with a chip on your shoulder and a negative attitude, are hyperactive and usually leap before you look — you're much more likely to get yourself killed in an auto accident.

This is the conclusion reached by a team of researchers who studied 50 single-car fatal accidents in Baltimore, Md.

"As a group, the victims were significantly more belligerent, negative and hyperactive than most persons," Dr. Chester W. Schmidt said in reporting the findings of the year-long study. "They reacted poorly to stress and we classified them as 'high-risk' drivers," said Dr. Schmidt, a psychiatrist.

He said the study involved checking on possible physical disabilities that might have caused the accidents, mechanical defects in the vehicles, the victims' prior police and traffic records, and in depth interviews with their relatives and friends.

Psychiatrists then reviewed the results, ran them through a computer and came up with after-death descriptions of the victims' personalities.

"The results showed that the driver victims in single-car accidents had distinct character traits," Dr. Schmidt said.

"Their histories included anxiety, depression, superconfidence in stressful aggressiveness, immature reactions, impulsive behavior and a tendency to have alcohol when drinking. Almost half had histories of alcohol abuse. Most of the drivers were divorced, separated or widowed. Their average age was 31.

"We found that 48 of the 50 drivers had seat belts — but only ten used them. Failure to use seat belts, along with risky driving behavior and drinking, is consistent with the desire to live recklessly."

Dr. John W. Shaffer, a psychologist who worked with Dr. Schmidt and the team of researchers, said, "There is no doubt that significant relationships exist between fatal accidents and the drivers' personality characteristics."

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Junk-food junkie's luck runs out

$18.6 million lotto winner dies from too much pleasure!

NO MORE METHOAT! Ernie Bailey, who killed himself with too much pleasure.

By MIKE FOSTER / Weekly World News

LONDON — When former factory worker Ernie Bailey won a staggering $18.6 million in the lottery, he went on a 20-month binge of smoking, drinking and stuffing himself with fast food — then dropped dead!

The 43-year-old widower weighed a porky 310 pounds when he hauled over in the luxury home he'd bought with his winnings, according to a British newspaper, The Sun.

Bailey — who hit the jackpot after years of trying — had ignored doctors' advice to exercise, instead spending his time guzzling beer at local bars and food. "He was told time and again to give up cigarettes because of a heart condition and cut out drinking to lose weight, but he loved his pleasures," one friend told the paper.

Angry relatives of the lottery winner deny reports that Bailey binged himself to death.

"Ernie had suffered three heart attacks and simply did not have the strength to binge," said Terry Latham, a close friend of the family.

"As far as the family is

World's first FEMALE sumo wrestlers!

TOKYO — Gutsy Japanese women are bellying their way into a sport that's been the exclusive domain of men for more than 1,300 years. They're taking up sumo wrestling!

About 40 hefty females, wearing protective breast gear, recently climbed into the ring for the first All Japan Women's Sumo Competition — and the grappling gals went at it with gusto. "These women have fattened themselves up like hogs — some of them weighing as much as 300 pounds," according to Tokyo sports commentator Hiru Sakuma.

"When their colossal bodies collide with each other, it looks like two full-grown hippos fighting — and feels like there's an earthquake going on under your feet. They're more aggressive than the men!"

Excited Japanese feminists hope that having females compete in the macho sport for the first time will explode the stereotype of Asian women as passive, mild-mannered geisha girls.

"People who believe that women should be ladylike and meek are just plain wrong," one contender, spunky Tokuko Saito, told the press.

But fanatic conservatives, who consider the sumo wrestler the ultimate symbol of masculinity, are ready to commit hari-kari over the addition of females to the sport.

"Radical women's libbers and greedy promoters are destroying one of our nation's most precious traditions," one editorialist complained.

Rapist gets his just deserts — from God!

TEHRAN, Iran — Burly, 220-pound rapist Nasir Dowlat beat the odds after an Islamic court sentenced him to death by stoning — when he climbed out of an 18-foot-deep gravel pit, then fought his way through an angry mob of more than 500 people to reach safety.

The sex fiend escaped to the mountains, but ironically, received his just deserts only days later. A 10-ton boulder dislodged by a rainstorm rolled downhill and crushed him like an ant!

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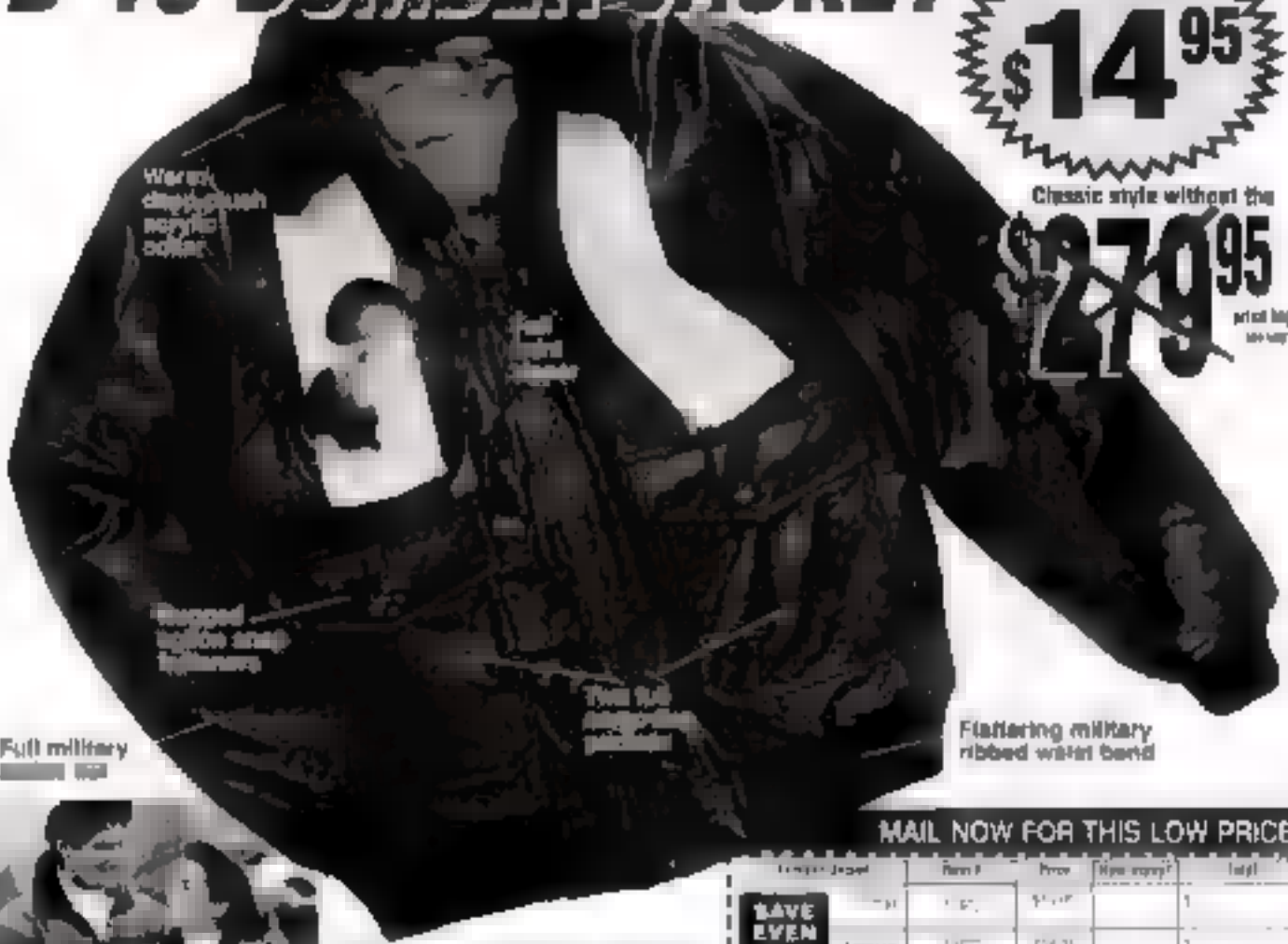

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She ripped out my heart and stomped all over it!

BERNIE in Clearwater.

Dear Dotti: This wonderful lady rented the condo next to mine. She's a lovely looking 70, although she always lies about her age. She knew every angle there was to make me fall in love with her. She made me feel like I was the only man in the world for her.

She's a very convincing liar. She has several men on the same line, always a few hundred miles apart. She says she's going to visit her grandchildren, but instead, she's off spending a week with another one of her men. Knowing she's been with another man makes me feel like she ripped out my heart and stomped all over it. Should I keep seeing her and hope the old playgirl will settle down eventually? — Bernie in Clearwater

Dear Bernie: At your age, you'd better settle for what you can still get your grubby hands on — especially since she's a real looker!

I love my husband and my girlfriend!

Dear Dotti: I recently married a real great guy who I love, but I also have a girlfriend I fell in love with two years ago. I did not want to be gay, so I left her. I tried to forget her, but I can't. My husband Frank treats me okay — but Cindy treated me great. Frank is always talking about other girls, and when I feel like I'm not the right woman for him I want to go back to her. What should I do? — Confused in New York

Dear Confused: Once a gay girl, always a gay girl. I say you should dump the big lug. You don't really care about him anyway — he's a man.

The man of my dreams is a suicide junkie!

DOTTI in Person.

Dear Dotti: I really care for this guy I'm seeing and I know that he loves me, but he is terribly suicidal. In the past six months he has slit his wrists twice. I know that if I get into a fight with him he will prob-

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Party Girl in Chesterfield: Once he finds out about your past, he won't even want you to breathe near him.

Dear Some Old Stuff in Texas: You should move to L.A. and get yourself a California girl who'll make you happy.

Dear Frustrated Animal in Phoenix: Does your rabbit's tighty also keep you weighing in at 250 pounds? I'm so mad still want to punch on his brain-dead pussy!

Dear Put Up in Peoria: Don't tell your lady she's dumb as a truck like — she's liable to back up and run you over.

Dear Can't Decide in Connecticut: Tell him he's a perfect "10" and you'd leave his arms out of pocket.

Dear Confused in Phoenix: And she's looking for the exit sign. Don't stand in front of it.

Dear Short Chester in Bangor: Go ahead and have your fun. Just remember who's side your bed is buttered on.

Dear Ex-Hubby in Rockford: Instead of cat get pussy, for the love God, you should be paying alimony!

Ex-hubby wants the house, the kid — & child support!

SAMANTHA in Dallas.

Dear Dotti: I've been divorced for about two years now and my ex-husband has been giving me hell for all that time. You see I got our daughter and the house and child support, and he absolutely hates it. Now that our daughter is 13, my ex wants her and the house and me to pay child support. She's said all along that he wanted me out of her and the house and start abusing our child support? — Samantha in Dallas

Dear Samantha: Put Think twice Sally before you go complaining about your ex in Family Court. Sounds like that teenager of yours is such a pain in the rear end that you'd be better off greasing the parenting skates along and letting him cope with her for a while.

I'm a love-aholic — and it scares most guys away!

MARK in Dover.

Dear Dotti: When I was a senior in high school, I fell in love with this girl so fast that it scares them away. I guess I don't want them to abandon me so I tell them that I love them about a year ago. I dated one sloppily lady and on the third night I asked her to marry me. We did it one week later. But things didn't work out, and now I'm divorced. What can I do to find someone to love me? — Mark in Dover

Dear Mark: Join a bowling league

but her and the house go and start abusing our child support? — Samantha in Dallas

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Will my little grandsons grow up to be sissies?

Dear Dotti: You always get to the heart of the matter, so you'd better tell me straight on this. Is my daughter in love making us miss out of my little twin grandsons by letting them sleep in the same bed with my son and her at night? — Harriet in Minneapolis

HARRIET in Minneapolis.

Dear Harriet: Let's just say she's not making self-assured, masculine, well-adjusted, straight guys out of the limp-wristed little fellas.

WRITE TO DOTTI PARKHURST

Send her [illegible] a letter, and a picture if possible — and let her tell it like it is. Write to Dear Dotti, c/o Weekly World News, 600 East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33464-9951. We'll forward your letters to her. NOTE: Even though she has her hand of mind to answer all letters personally, due to the volume of mail she receives, you've [illegible] for at least six months.

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RAPHIC CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ON THE INTERNET . . .

top experts say YES!

WASHINGTON — Scientists, clergymen and other experts worldwide are more convinced than ever that the world will be destroyed by the year 2000!

Last February, *Weekly World News* published the dire warnings of five leading thinkers who share the conviction that time is running out for humanity.

Their comments echoed the beliefs of thousands of other researchers, philosophers, biblical scholars and other authorities who have written the *NEWS*, stating that we are on the eve of destruction.

In the light of recent events around the world, we asked the five experts whether destruction of mankind by the year 2000 now appears more or less likely.

And every single one of them agreed that it is even more certain that the end is near.

Here are their responses:

REVEREND DONALD E. GARMEN, renowned minister, Bible expert and author, Washington, D.C. — I am now absolutely convinced that the world will end within the next two years.

The Bible tells us that certain specific conditions will herald the return of Jesus Christ to the Earth, and the end of history. These conditions include "wars and rumors of wars," famines, "pestilences," and "earthquakes." These events have been steadily more prevalent in recent months increasing in intensity like an ever more deafening drumbeat. The recent wars in the Balkans, the famines in Africa, the rising rates of AIDS deaths worldwide and earthquakes in the Holy Land itself all tell us that the end is very near indeed. No minister I know here in the U.S. believes that Judgment Day won't arrive with the same unfailing

PROFESSOR JOHAN MALIS, head of the philosophy Department at Tampere University, Tampere, Finland — My studies of prophecies from around the world indicate that seers from every civilization, from ancient Egypt to the Mayans of Central America, have predicted in the era that we are in right now as the "final age."

The fact that literally hundreds of prophets from vastly different cultures over a period of more than 4,000 years all foretold that humans' foolish conduct would result in a showdown with the end of this century must be taken seriously. This is particularly so in the first few years of the evolving signs that indicate some of an unfolding the end of the world, such as strange weather and epidemics, are now very evident. I must say I and most of the colleagues now think that the destruction of the world is inescapable.

DANIEL CLEGATE, Ph.D., ecologist, Cambridge, Mass. — Mother Earth is deathly sick and we can have not that she is close to expire in the year 2000.

Pollution has destroyed the ozone layer, resulting in the effect known as global warming. The average worldwide temperature is now the highest ever recorded — and our planet will become a scorching hellhole within 20 to 30 months. Over the past year we have seen unbelievably horrific weather worldwide. And in the coming two years we will see even more devastating droughts and deluges. In addition, we are seeing a rise of deadly new microbial viruses that seem to have evolved with the sole purpose of killing and mutilated. Because of the enormous volume of international travel it is now impossible to keep such viruses from leaping from one continent to another. At the current rate, our planet will remain habitable for the next few human beings. I'm afraid it will not be a pleasant

By Randy Jeffries & Vincenzo Sarni
Weekly World News

BENJAMIN A. KINGSFORD JR., historian and author, Washington, D.C. — It now seems quite inevitable that our civilization is headed for a violent implosion by the end of this century.

Millions of Americans who were once convinced that the stock market could only go up, up, up, have been seized by panic because of the recent downturns on Wall Street and have ceased spending altogether. As a result, many financial experts predict complete collapse of the U.S. economy within a year.

The coming second Great Depression will undoubtedly be marked by violence in a way that the Depression of the 1930s was not. The jobless will find themselves in far more desperate straits and the gulf between the rich and poor will be so great that a bloody class war, along the lines of the civil war that took place in the former Yugoslavia, is almost certain to occur.

This kind of strife is increasing around the world and appears to be doubling in pace as we approach the year 2000. Russia is already in a state of economic collapse — and the first wars launched from capitalistic states are now pitted against the impoverished masses who wish to return to communism.

With both superpowers spinning out of control, I would estimate that the chances are 99.9 percent that this will result in a deadly thermonuclear conflict by the year 2000.

NO HOLY WARNING FOR THE YEAR 2000

4 simple secrets to make you a great mom!

You can be a great mom even if you're juggling a busy, demanding schedule — just by following four simple strategies recommended by experts to help you cope.

Dr. Judith Myers-Walls studied 42 moms and found that the ones who used the following tactics [illegible] were the happiest:

● **FORGET GUILT.** "Women of our generation expect too much of themselves," she said. "Working moms feel guilty for not being home with their kids and mothers who stay home with their kids feel guilty about not working. Women feel that they should do everything.

"Don't let other people's ideas of how things should be done bother you. If you feel guilty because you're not living up to your own idea of what the perfect wife and mom should be doing, then think about whether your ideas are realistic."

● **DECIDE WHAT COMES FIRST — AND WHEN.** "Think ahead of time how you'll handle certain situations," said Dr. Myers-Walls. "You may decide between 9 and 5 your job comes first, but if your child is sick, your child comes first. Thinking about all that ahead of time helps when it's 7:30 a.m. and your child is sick and you're trying to decide if you should go to work or stay home."

● **KNOW WHEN TO DOLE IT OUT ON TABBIE.** "Rather than trying to do it things at once and not doing a good job on any of them, decide in advance which things are going to require your concentration — then plan accordingly," she said.

For example, if dinner is an easy one to make, you might let your child play in the kitchen while you cook and teach him or her a few simple things about cooking. If it's a complicated meal, you may want to send your child into the other room so you won't be disturbed.

● **DON'T DO A BETTER JOB THAN NEEDS TO BE DONE.** "You have to realize that you can't do it all, so you need to do the job just as well as it needs to be done — and no better. For example, you don't eat off linens, so the linens don't have to be clean enough to eat off of. And is it really necessary to put a clean towel out every time you use one?"

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Dear Serena: I hate to say this, but my mother was a witch. She was a liar, a gossip and a thief.

MEGAN in Smithfield

She drove my daddy to an early grave with her nagging and drinking. And she never lifted a finger to take care of my brother and me — her only children. She died a few weeks ago and I can't help but wonder: Did she go to Heaven? — Megan in Smithfield

Dear Megan: There are some questions that I refuse to address. But in your heart of hearts, you know the answer as well as I do.

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Dear Serena: I've been getting letters from a psychic who says that someone left me a large sum of money 10 years ago — but bad fortune is keeping me from getting the inheritance. This is driving me crazy, Serena. Can you help? — Anxious in White City

Dear Anxious: The psychic you speak of is a charlatan and a rip-off artist who wants to make you nervous about the

Serena Sabak

Could I not be Heaven?

psych. When you receive your next letter, she will ask you for hundreds of dollars to remove the bad fortune. The fact is her story about the cash is a total fabrication.

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Dear Serena, Before he died last month, my husband was very open with me. But he had one secret that he absolutely refused to discuss. That secret, Serena, was the entire year of 1953! What horrible thing could have happened to make him black out a year of his life, Serena? He didn't meet until 1954 so I don't have any idea what was bothering him. — Theodore in Dallas

Dear Theodore: Your husband murdered a man in 1953 and spent the entire year on the run while he established a new identity. As you know, he was never caught — and took his secret to the grave.

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Dear Serena: Who stole the pictures out of my photo album? I ought to be worth good cash if on the black. The next day I found it on the floor with at least six pictures missing. No one will admit doing it, even though I've roused quite a stir and accused just about everyone. I even got into a fight with my best friend over the situation and ended up calling her a liar — and now I don't even think she did it (however suggestive). I want to see the truth. Can you tell me who the thief is? — Pining in Silverton

Dear Pining: If you ever

charges and risk maybe going to jail? - Anne in Flint

Dear Anne: Pay the fine and make a vow to yourself that you'll start dealing with your problem. If not, you'll end up in jail before next April.

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PERSONAL TO...

Karen in Bossier: Your husband cheated on you twice in 1984. But he hasn't been with another woman since.

Desperate in Chattington: My spell of good fortune is with you, my dear. Expect a cash windfall any day!

Concerned in Farmerville: Your runaway daughter is hungry but otherwise okay.

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SERENA, IS YOUR FAMOUS WINTER '98 HOROSCOPE OUT YET!

HEALTH, LOVE & MONEY

As a matter of fact, my Winter '98 Horoscope is on the stands in Wal-Marts, Kmarts and supermarkets across America.

If you'd like to order direct, send me your check for $3.98 (includes postage and handling), payable to American Media Inc. Mail to: Horoscope, 600 East [illegible] 6003. My supplies are limited — so hurry and get your Winter '98 Horoscope and find out what the stars have in store for you through February!

THIS WEEK'S SIX LUCKIEST LOTTERY NUMBERS:

CLIP & SAVE BY YOUR WALLET

Weekly World News has purchased exclusive rights to the world's most powerful computer — and we use it to pick the six luckiest lottery numbers every week!

The [illegible]-built computer called Crystal Green, has the ability to calculate which lottery numbers are most likely to come up each week, based on previous performance and established probabilities. The numbers are good for the week the NEWS is on the newsstand.

The computer scans all numbers selected in lotteries across America over the past year to provide a statistical base for predicting future results. Above value is given to the most recently selected numbers.

Using all available data, the computer picks the luckiest numbers for each week. Its statistics with

Weekly World News exclusive: The WORLD'S BIGGEST CROSSWORD!

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Weekly World News exclusive: The WORLD'S BIGGEST CROSSWORD!

EXPERTS BAFFLED BY NEW DEVIL'S TRIANGLE MYSTERY

Man surfaces in Nazi diver's suit and thinks Franklin Roosevelt is president!

By ANN VICTORIA

MIAMI — Is the deep-sea diver found alive in the Atlantic Ocean just days ago the same man who disappeared in the area 60 years ago?

That's the chilling question authorities have been asking since the body of a swimmer in a bizarre German-style diving suit was found floating off the Florida coast.

The man was wearing an old-fashioned one-piece rubber diving suit. There were 45-pound leaded boots on his feet and a weighted metal diving helmet on his head. These items haven't been in use since 1945, when they were replaced by modern scuba gear.

Fishing boat captain Fred Appleby says the man, who appeared to be in his early 20s, seemed "disoriented and confused" but managed a few coherent statements.

He told us his name was Ralph Boerland and that he was on a U-boat mission to destroy President Roosevelt," said Appleby.

The man had been covered in a thick layer of a substance resembling petroleum jelly to help him withstand the pressure of the deep. He said the last thing he remembered was pumping oil from his air supply.

The diver was taken to a South Florida hospital and is said to be in satisfactory condition. The name and location of the hospital have not been disclosed.

Incredibly, subsequent research has revealed that in 1938, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt did indeed order a series of top-secret Naval maneuvers off the Florida coast. America was on the brink of war and the secret project involved gracious divers to plant mines in enemy waters.

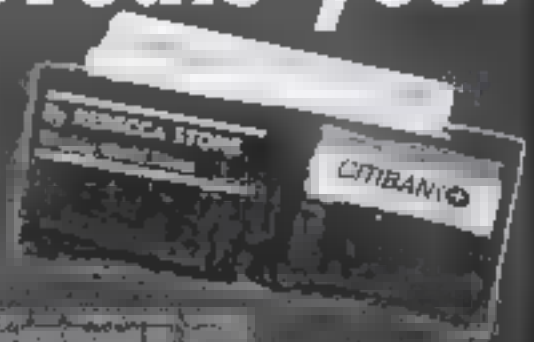
And even more astonishingly, a Lieutenant-Commander named Ralph Thomas Boerland did disappear during the secret mine tests.

If the newly rescued diver is the man who disappeared in 1938, his discovery creates more questions. How did he survive at the ocean for 60 years? How did he breathe without an air supply? How has he maintained his youth? Did he enter some kind of time warp?

Although authorities are far from ready to say the man is Boerland, one Miami police officer said off the record, "There are a lot

Fishing boat captain Fred Appleby says the diver was confused & disoriented when the man fished him out

How you stash your cash reveals your personality!



New study blows lid off 'beer belly' myth!

By R. NEALE LIND
Weekly World News

LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Great news for booze lovers who are afraid of getting fat: Alcohol doesn't cause weight gain — it can even help make the pounds melt away!

Drinking alcohol actually causes weight LOSS!

You heard right. Researchers at Purdue University, reporting at the annual meeting of the American Dietetic Association, blew the lid off the "beer belly" myth.

Their brand-new studies show that adding moderate amounts of liquor — even beer — to your regular diet causes little if any weight gain. In fact, they say, the body uses the calories from alcohol very efficiently.

But even more astounding, the scientists said that replacing the dietary carbohydrates you usually consume in your diet with alcohol actually causes weight loss!

So why do all the beer drinkers you know seem to get fat?

The experts believe it's probably not from guzzling the suds. It's more likely due to all

[redacted] terrorists using suicide apes against Israeli targets!

TEL AVIV — Worried Israeli intelligence sources report Arab terrorists are training a shocking new type of saboteur: Suicide orangutans!

The apes are trained to climb into target buildings under cover of night, carrying explosives. They then hide, blowing themselves and their targets to smithereens when the timing devices on the bombs they are carrying trigger a blast.

"They're fearless and they climb like monkeys," a rattled Israeli official said.

World's greatest [redacted] sired 383 colts and fillies!

The greatest racehorse of all time was the legendary Man o' War. Beginning in 1918, the phenomenal speedster won 20 of the 21 races in which he was entered, earning close to $2 million in purses.

When he retired, the remarkable stud sired 383 [illegible] died in 1947, his funeral was attended by 3,500 admirers.

Stinking rich!

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS, March 10

FREE *Discover the surprising reason why . . .*

Following His Live TV Appearance, the "Seer of Paris" Reveals His Incredible Secret for Attracting Good Fortune, and . . .

Seer Guerin: "You may have tried unknown systems, lucky numbers or other so-called magical methods. But let me ask you one question. Did your life really change? Did you win any large amounts of money? If nothing has worked for you so far, let me entrust you with my secret. Let me entrust you with it for free. Why for free? Because I think this is the best way of proving there really is a reliable way of attracting good fortune—and having life give you what you want."

The renowned Seer Guerin, seen of press and television, just announced he has agreed to reveal his incredible secret for free. A secret famed for attracting good luck and winnings in games of chance.

That secret seems to work for those who had previously tried everything else with no success. It has even worked for those who believe they were born unlucky and who have never won so far—or only won small amounts, at the lottery, at bingo or in other games.

Indeed, this secret does more than just let you win at games. As you shall see in a moment, it should let you make your other wishes come true as well. Wishes about your relationships with others, your work—or even your love life.

What is this mysterious secret that can make your wishes come true, "miraculously"?

Here is an exclusive interview with Seer Guerin – as told to Danny Fehland

Question: *After your TV broadcast, you said you would give a number of people your extraordinary power for attracting luck and boosting winnings at games of chance. Is this true?*

Answer: Yes indeed. Because lots of money has already been earned with the secret (some people have gotten up to $20,000.00), and it has changed the lives of men and women who had lost all hope. I would now like to entrust it to a number of individuals wishing different lives.

Question: *What do you mean by "different lives"?*

Answer: There are thousands of men and women who struggle daily to barely make a living. There are others who don't even have any work and who [redacted] how they'll get through the next day. Still others have worries and some problems they never manage to get rid of. I know all these people can lead better lives. Even those who believe this is impossible for them can have better lives.

I don't mean I'm exaggerating when I say that if you use this secret you will finally be able to see your deepest and wildest wishes come true. For example, if you desperately need money, or a considerable sum, you will suddenly win a huge jackpot at the lottery, at bingo, or from some other game. And the fact you may have had no luck at games so far is of no importance.

Question: *How come you're so sure your secret will help people win games? How can you prove it works for everyone?*

Answer: I didn't discover this secret. I have merely passed it on because I KNOW how the lives of so many people who have used it literally transformed. Most of those who have consulted me and to whom I have already given this secret have written to tell me that their problems—particularly those concerning money—have vanished. People have written to tell me, for example, that they were enough lucky to buy property [redacted] build their own houses.

Question: *Do you have any other examples of people whose lives changed after using this secret?*

Answer: I can show you files packed with letters from readers. People write to tell me they've [redacted] and businesses who have problems [redacted] changes in their lives. He has [redacted] these people are fortunate—and [redacted] their lives in profound ways. Curiously, however, the exceptional results recently [redacted] I don't possess miracles. I simply have the gifts and knowledge to call on supernatural powers, so those who call on me can get what they want.

One recently said: "Thanks again for that miraculous discovery. My husband had so many problems he could no longer sleep. He looked exhausted and aged by years. Frankly, I held little hope for him. But today, everything is going well again."

Question: *Am I correct in understanding this secret is not just intended to win money at games of chance?*

Answer: Precisely. Experience has shown it could also bring back a lost love. It gives you an attractive personality. That makes you more pleasing to those of the opposite sex. It helps you keep from making a mistake when you have an important decision, and provides many other benefits as well.

Question: *I admit this seems difficult to believe...*

Answer: I know it's very difficult to believe. What I discovered is so unbelievably simple that it's hard to imagine it could be so effective. Yet it is. Many people have used it to win huge sums of money. Others have found the love of their lives. Others have found jobs. Others have found happiness. Others have found peace of mind. Others have found success. Others have found fulfillment. Others have found meaning. Others have found purpose. Others have found joy. Others have found love. Others have found hope. Others have found faith. Others have found strength. Others have found courage. Others have found wisdom. Others have found knowledge. Others have found understanding. Others have found compassion. Others have found forgiveness. Others have found redemption. Others have found salvation. Others have found eternal life.

I've even learned that having won the competition after another, renowned French bicyclist Jacques Anquetil used this secret. He said: "I admit that an unknown force took hold of me."

Question: *The press, the radio and TV have all spoken of you as one of the greatest "mentalists" in the world. Does your secret have something to do with sorcery?*

Answer: No, not really. If you use sorcery unscrupulously it can be dangerous. The secret of which I speak is not the same. It can only be helpful. Anyone can easily use it. No

Who Is Seer Guerin?

President of the International Center of Clairvoyance and Occultism, he has been pursuing his life's goal of helping the Underprivileged over the past 17 years. He is internationally renowned. He is a much sought-after guest on radio and TV, and a subject of interviews in the press.

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and no reason not to use your secret!

Answer: I repeat, this secret can only do good. If I wasn't absolutely sure and didn't have the proof, believe me, I certainly wouldn't reveal it.

Those who think this secret will let them learn their enemies are mistaken. It can protect you from bad influences, but it cannot do evil.

Question: *What previously will happen if I decide today to receive your secret?*

Answer: Once you have it, a new life will open up for you. A life you probably couldn't even begin to imagine right now. All the changes you want could finally come to pass. All you need to do is use my secret as I will show you. And then get ready to get rid of all your worries and problems that may have been obstacles up to now.

Question: *You've shown me thank-you letters from people who used your secret. It really seems to work. But could you give me a bit more information on it?*

Answer: Certainly. However, I am not going to reveal my secret to everyone. Only to those who really need it and have a strong enough desire for a new life that they send in the coupon opposite.

Here is some additional information on this secret:

* It has nothing to do with "lucky numbers" or "miraculous" methods you may have already tried.

* There is nothing difficult for you to do. You can use it immediately upon receiving it.

* It can change your life and let you get what you want even if nothing has worked so far.

* It is consistent with any religion or belief. Everyone can use it.

* It **WILL** even worked for skeptics. It makes no difference whether you do or don't believe in it. But you must try it.

* When you win lots of money at the lottery, bingo, casino, track or other games (or when your wishes come true), only you will know it's

making this secret. Can you tell me how much it will cost?

Answer: I know people who would be happy to hand over $200 to receive it. Something like this that gets you what you want, is, quite frankly, priceless.

But because many people today are needy, I have decided to reveal my secret for free!—for a limited time. I am only asking one thing from those who want to receive it.

Question: *What are you asking?*

Answer: Just the promise to not reveal this secret to those you know, but to use it only for yourself and your personal gain.

Agree now to receive Sear Guerin's secret before it's too late

Are you ready for your wishes to come true? Do you need lots of money? Do you want a love you had thought was forever lost to return? Do you want a better job for your future? Is there someone of the opposite sex you desire? Or is there some other wish you want to come true?

You think it's too good to be true?

It's not too good. In fact, it's quite realistic. You don't need to believe it . . . but you can see for yourself for free . . . Yes, FREE! There's nothing to pay. And you have a guarantee there is no need to buy anything at all.

I believe the secret you will soon discover will be the most important thing you have ever received.

Why am I so sure?

Imagine how you'll feel if you can finally buy whatever you want without having to count every penny.

– Imagine how you'll feel with enough money to never again worry about the future.

– Imagine how happy you'll be if your dreams and desires finally begin to come true.

Don't you think it would be a shame to turn down such an opportunity? Even sadder because it's free, and if you miss this chance to take advantage of it, you'll never have another.

Even if you've tried

other—you can become rich and happy overnight. If you've never won at the lottery, the track, at bingo—or only won trifling sums—you'll be very surprised to see what happens when you have this fascinating secret.

Now it's up to you. There's no reason why it should always be the same people who, over and over, get whatever they want.

Please note: It is more than likely many people will send in the coupon below to take advantage of this exceptional free offer. It is possible that Sear Guerin will not be able to meet all requests.

If you really want to be among the select few to whom Sear Guerin entrusts his priceless secret, don't delay. Act now. Take advantage of this opportunity right away. Tomorrow may be too late.

Just cut out and send in the Special Coupon. This offer is, I repeat, entirely free. But you must act immediately. Secret orders will be processed on a first-in-first-out basis.

Only read this if you've decided not to return the coupon today

1. This secret will be revealed to you for free!. It will cost you nothing. Not one penny. And there is nothing you must buy.

2. This secret has enabled men and women who have lost all hope and who no longer believed things can get better for them discover completely new lives. Don't you think what worked for these "hopeless" cases can also work for you as well?

3. There is probably no other way of winning so much money at the lottery, track or bingo this fast. Nor is there probably any similar method to get a lost love to return, to triumph over your adversaries, to succeed with someone of the opposite sex, to get a better job, or to make a wish come true.

4. Don't you THINK it would be a shame to pass up a lucky life? Many would happily pay $200 to learn such a secret. But you can now discover it for free!. Take advantage of

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"The win in the lottery on July 14. Then my husband won in the same lottery again on September 1. In December, I won on the track. A few days later, my husband won a big lottery competition."

Mrs. Gisèle B., Spy, Ref.: 05190

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"Last month I got an unexpected raise. On February 4, I won $1,500.00 and then on February 18, I won $1,240.00."

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"... I won $1,360.00 and then $1,000.00 ..."

Mr. Pascal V., Cannelois, Ref.: 58001

"... A wonderful encounter thanks to your system"

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"... I got a pretty house and I'm going to pick up a car today."

Mrs. Josianne P., Nord, Ref.: 79000

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"I have experienced great well being. Undeniably, something has occurred. All our business that was down has soared to much, much, much higher levels."

Ms. Chevagne P., Macon, Ref.: 73460

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Through your help, things have positively turned around for me. Anyone who is in the situation I was in should seek you out, for your awareness, for your answers, for your dedication, for what you've done most of all, for the results.

Mr. Yves D., Evreux, Ref.: 27230

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To receive the revelation of Sear Guerin's secret for free!

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By SALLY CRANE
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ANIMAL RIGHTS protesters tried to protest the Japanese fast-food craze — smoked puppy meat!

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TOKYO — Animal lovers the world over are both sickened and outraged by a horrifying new Japanese food fad — smoked puppies on a bun.

And unlike American hot dogs, these fast food treats are made with real puppy meat! "I want to throw up every time I think about it," declared famed animal-rights activist Martha Serensen of Sydney, Australia.

"The Japanese have never been known for their sensitivity to animals and animal issues — just look at their record with whales.

"But this is beyond unethical. This is beyond

Crazy Japanese even smother 'em with mustard & ketchup!

how or where the dish-in-the-making fad first started, but newspaper reports suggest that the first smoked puppies were sold on the sidewalk at a karaoke bar.

Since that time, at least 50 street vendors have started doing business in Tokyo, with

started to trade in Seoul, South Korea, Taiwan, Australia and Malaysia.

Horrifyingly, the puppies are smoked within 24 hours of the time their eyes open because the Japanese believe they taste better that way.

Oddly enough, customers prefer miniature or purebred puppies apparently because they are smaller.

Because the puppies are so small, their bodies are split and spread out like a cheeseburger bun to lay out virtually whole — on a bun.

TALK ABOUT A HOT DOG!

to pressure Japanese legislators to ghost laws to prohibit the sale of puppies as food.

To date, protests calls and letters have gone unanswered.

But with increased publicity she believes the powers-that-be "will have to sit up and take notice."

"I'm calling on animal lovers everywhere to help us put a stop to this mad-

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IS YOUR PET POSSESSED BY EVIL SPIRITS?

Animals can be possessed by demons just like humans can be, say experts.

Friendly family pets — dogs, cats, birds and even horses — have been taken over by evil spirits and changed into fiendish, bloodthirsty beasts, say psychic researchers. "The phenomenon has been known since before the Middle Ages and is well documented historically," says famed paranormal investigator Ed Warren.

In one case in Connecticut, a retriever changed from a gentle dog to a fierce beast, recalled Warren.

"It began frothing at the mouth, its eyes red as coals. It repeatedly attempted to savage its master, biting him severely. And it had incredible strength! The vet could find nothing wrong with it. But later, the animal came under possession a second time."

Warren arranged an exorcism of the dog by a priest. "During the service, the dog stiffened, its eyes bulging," he said. "A low growl rumbled in its throat and it shuddered."

Eventually the dog gave a low moan and relaxed. "From then on, the man had no trouble with it."

In another case, in Allentown, Pa., a possessed pet cat tried to kill its own owner, Warren recalled. "A woman bought a new cat. She didn't know that it had been used in black magic rituals. One night when she was in bed, she awoke to find the cat on top of her chest, eyes red, fangs bared, ears laid back, snarling and spitting at her. A dark shadow loomed around the cat and shadowy arms reached out and tried to strangle her. Gasping for breath, she began to pray intently. 'Oh, God, sweet Jesus, save me from this evil!' With that, the cat ran out of the room. The evil monstrosity fled with it."

In yet another case, a tiger was taken over by an evil spirit, said top paranormal investigator Brad Steiger. "The bird tried to pack out the eyes of family members," he said.

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Ninety-eight percent of the adults in this country are decent, hard working, honest Americans. It's the other lousy 2 percent that gets all the publicity.

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Sicko medicine man Yazzie King couldn't convince a jury he was performing a sacred Navajo Indian healing ritual when he stuck a bamboo flute into women's vaginas claiming to suck out evil spirits.

HEAP BIG CREEP!

NORTH American Indians like this one were shamed by Yazzie King's bizarre sexual behavior.

Navajo medicine man accused of sexually molesting young beauties — with a bamboo flute!

The wicked witch doctor was convicted in federal court of three counts of sexual abuse for using the flute he bought at a flea market to perform the bizarre ceremony he called, "working on the body."

King, 43, was arrested at the Navajo reservation in northwestern New Mexico after three of his victims were persuaded to talk to police.

The women — ages 22, 25 and 27 — testified at the trial that King convinced them they would get very sick and possibly die if we didn't use his sucking procedure to rid them of evil spirits.

The three women said they were afraid to defy what they thought was the powerful tribal medicine man when he told them to remove their clothes before he penetrated their private parts with his hand and the ceremonial flute.

On one occasion, a woman was told by King to have an orgasm to "release the spirits," while he supposedly sucked at her.

Another time, he used feathers to fan the naked body of a woman.

Family members who accompanied the women were told to wait outside his med hogan, except for one mother who remained in the hut but looked the other way while King performed the strange ritual on her daughter.

King testified that he never touched any of the women in performing what he called a traditional Navajo ceremony. He said he covered the women, who inserted the flute themselves.

Three other members of the Navajo tribe told the jury it is culturally forbidden for a medicine man to handle or insert a sacred object into the private parts of a female patient.

King could be fined as much as $250,000 and sentenced to up to 20 years in prison on each count.

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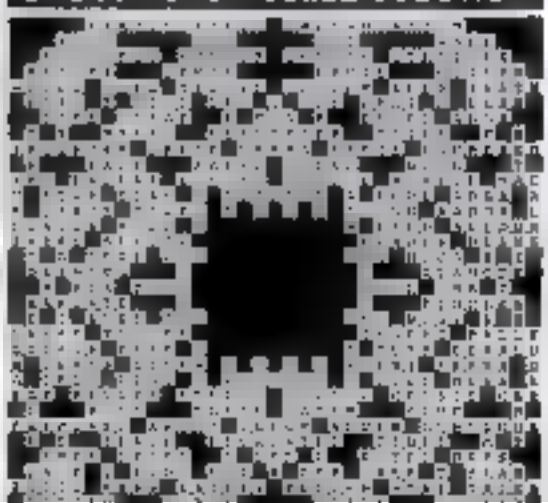

WEIRD WORLD NEWS Short TAKES

Exercise can turn breast milk sour!

Attention, nursing moms: Exercise can turn your breast milk sour!

Although many new mothers are anxious to get back into shape, a recent study reveals that working out can make their newborn's breast milk taste sour.

Kids sobbing pleas at wedding

KAPUR, India — [illegible] pleaded on [illegible] wedding, the bride [illegible] the groom — and married [illegible] wife.

Police were [illegible] the wedding [illegible] neighbors of the bride [illegible] refused to [illegible] and the occupant. They were [illegible] two hours later.

The [illegible] groom [illegible]

JAPANESE TYCOONS TO RAISE TITANIC!

GOLD AND JEWELS WORTH MILLION$ WAITING IN SHIP'S SAFE!

By PETER DRAKE / Weekly World News

Mark Scranton

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Undersea pirates financed by wealthy Japanese businessmen plan to raise the *Titanic* off the floor of the Atlantic on December 1 in a controversial — and some say criminal — bid to recover millions in gold and jewels reputedly stored in the ship's safe!

That's the word from British author and *Titanic* expert Mark Scranton, who quoted CIA sources as saying the pirates are using two-man submarines to plant huge balloons in the vessel's hull, then will bring it to the surface by pumping the balloons full of air.

[illegible] sources insist the ship is already being prepared for the project.

Camera-equipped [illegible] that have been aboard the sunken vessel show that the skeletons of passengers who died on it are preserved perfectly in the ice-cold North Atlantic waters.

One of the [illegible] has filmed the skeletal remains of musicians who played in the ship's orchestra still clutching their instruments, the intelligence sources said.

"The raising of the *Titanic* is more than just outrageous, it's a crime against humanity," Scranton, who is widely considered to be one of the world's foremost authorities on the *Titanic* disaster, told reporters here.

"The *Titanic* is not just a ship, it is the final resting place for more than 1,500 people who perished when it sank. And as far as I'm concerned, bringing it to the surface is no different from digging corpses out of their graves.

"These pirates and their backers ought to be stopped. But unless some government force acts quickly, the ship will be brought up — and no one will be punished for this crime."

CIA spokesmen declined to discuss Scranton's report "until all the facts are in."

The famed [illegible] sank during its maiden voyage [illegible] April 14, 1912. It has been the dream of many adventurers over the decades to raise the ship and salvage the millions of dollars worth of jewels aboard it.

With the success of the recent blockbuster movie *Titanic*, interest in the tragic ship has reached an all-time high.

But the interest in the ship's saga is most intense in Japan. Observers say the *Titanic* has become somewhat of a national obsession in the Asian nation.

Scranton claims he has documents that allege the operation to raise the vessel is being financed by wealthy Japanese businessmen who are searching for gold and jewels believed to be in the ship's vaults.

Those jewels would be more valuable in Japan than anywhere else in the world, Scranton said.

"The amount of money people would pay in Japan [illegible]

Orchestra members' skeletons found still clutching their instruments!

said. "The ailing Japanese economy wouldn't even dampen the enthusiasm."

Scranton believes the unidentified billionaires will strip the remains of the ship for treasure and artifacts, then sell pieces of the rusting hulk to collectors worldwide — making millions of dollars.

"The pirates plan to raise the remains of the *Titanic* on the morning of December 1 and immediately start to head south with it," said Scranton.

"The Japanese [illegible] been going on for at least eight months, with 400 men working from surface vessels and a fleet of at least 12 miniature submarines.

"The *Titanic*'s hull cracked in two when it sank, but the Japanese plan to raise both pieces with the enormous balloons," Scranton said. "This is very ambitious on their part — but also very wrong."

AMERICA'S TOP PSYCHIC NETWORKS

GIANT HOROSCOPE

By SERENA SABAK
PSYCHIC ASTROLOGER TO THE RICH AND FAMOUS

for the week of November 1

ARIES
Mar 21 – Apr 19

A challenging love week expect plans that come your way this week. Keep a tight rein on your tendency to be impatient and approach the job with a relaxed attitude and you'll complete the task successfully.

Your charm is at an all time high now. Don't be shy about meeting new people. You'll definitely make a good impression. You may be in line for an exciting romantic adventure.

TAURUS
Apr 20 – May 20

This is one week when your stubbornness could be an asset. Stick to it to reach that long-cherished goal you've been striving toward.

Step out, pleasant parties or evenings this weekend. Take a little time off from hectic activities to ease the tensions of the past week.

An old friend or acquaintance may suddenly reappear in your life. If we take advantage of the good fortune

GEMINI
May 21 – June 20

The fate of an adventurous spirit remains unchanged in all areas at least for the foreseeable future that your determination can't find will carry you through to a successful conclusion.

Turmoil in your personal affairs will continue until next week's end. There are to be marriage relationships for the better.

A period of confidence should not be upheld.

CANCER
June 21 – July 22

Your problems are usually within basically right, and even when they are different, you won't be feel real disappointment and frustration. Stop believing that the grass is greener on the other side of the fence.

This is an excellent time for you to explore your talents and surrender to romantic fantasy. Don't be surprised if someone significantly rushes along and finds a way to talk it

LEO
July 23 – Aug 22

Your tendency to change about at full steam could ruin some friendships this week. It's not just luck a little and be aware of your pals feelings as the spotlight.

Romantic sparks fly as you spend a special romantic night a candlelit dinner or a late evening on the sofa as final at the TV.

An unexpected action could work in your advantage. Keep your mind

VIRGO
Aug 23 – Sept 22

Stop being such a stick in the mud. You have had your nose to the grindstone for too long. Stop pushing yourself so hard. Let your hair down and have a little fun this weekend.

A surprising message in the mail could lead you to be thrilling adventure opening up opportunities for advancement at financial success.

Time for a little relax in your life. Your attitude needs lightening up.

LIBRA
Sept 23 – Oct 23

Should marriage not lead to bed could come back to haunt you this week. The consequences may be painful but you'll recover quickly. Take your mistake and vow to be less inclined to the future. This could be a blessing in disguise.

You've made a friend in high places. Watch for something new to happen.

Treat animals with kindness this week. You'll be glad you did.

SCORPIO
Oct 24 – Nov 21

You may be called on to help a friend in need this week and the way you handle the situation could be more important than you know. Your future and the future of someone you care about could hang in the balance – so make sure you show compassion and patience. Lend a hand and make no demands.

A letter or long-distance call could bring good news toward week's end.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 22 – Dec 21

Now is the time for a great week. Such big and good news.

You may be up for a special treat or two this week. Drop by old friend who doesn't have to touch. Put a whole load there will be plenty of fun when you. Later take out to have a good time with those close to you.

Your work should prosper. You may have to delayed out for special promotion.

CAPRICORN
Dec 22 – Jan 19

Hold up while you can – you may be facing some challenging times this week. Stay alert for signs of discontent from those you trust. Your ability to deal with people should help you smooth things over.

A person of the opposite sex is thinking of you in a romantic way but is too embarrassed to admit it.

Take some chances this week. You'll have especially good luck.

AQUARIUS
Jan 20 – Feb 18

Don't mix business with pleasure this week. It could be downright dangerous.

A child could have a nonconformist effect on your life. That's for you to be selfish to pay a little attention to a loved one.

Your hard work may soon pay off. You've earned another you get. And you haven't had to work up to the top with the best to get it.

PISCES
Feb 19 – Mar 20

Love come to you. Permissions the master stay luck will change. You could be missing out on many opportunities because of your attitude.

Be receptive but cautious if an unusual offer comes your way this week. Both old and romantic ideas to enhance the right decisions.

You are greatly admired by a new acquaintance. Your life could be in for a big surprise.

If your birthday is this week...

Readers all over the country are using psychic astrologer Serena Sabak's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big money, and so can you! To find your lucky numbers, simply look down the left-hand page to find your birth sign in the chart below. If you need lucky numbers for the lottery in your area, add your birthday. If you need lucky numbers, drop the numbers listed here

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GEMINI May 21 – June 20	3, 8, 21, 24, 27,
CANCER June 21 – July 22	4, 6, 9, 14, 16,
LEO July 23 – Aug 22	17, 20, 23, 30, 40,
VIRGO Aug 23 – Sept 22	7, 11, 17, 21, 36,
LIBRA Sept 23 – Oct 23	6, 10, 19, 28, 37,
SCORPIO Oct 24 – Nov 21	9, 13, 16, 32, 45,
SAGITTARIUS Nov 22 – Dec 21	14, 23, 31, 43, 43,
CAPRICORN Dec 22 – Jan 19	4, 7, 11, 19, 33,
AQUARIUS Jan 20 – Feb 18	5, 8, 12, 16, 33,

LIVE HOROSCOPE HOTLINE

Mom makes her children sleep in a...

KIDDIE CLOSET

By ANNE FOSTER
Weekly World News

BELFAST, Ireland — Single mom Stephanie McLaughlin has found the perfect way to conserve space in her one-bedroom apartment — she makes her three children sleep in the linen closet!

"The girls love sleeping in the closet. It's like their own private little bedroom," says resourceful Stephanie. "It

CUTEST kids! Colleen, Jennifer and Judith love the closet bed their mom Stephanie McLaughlin has made for them.

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Mom chokes to death while eating his hat!

TALLAHASSEE, Ohio — A baseball nut choked to death after he had a hot sizzling hot dog in the college team — and had to eat his cap! It felt fine! The unidentified man chewed and stopped breathing halfway through his lid. He was pronounced dead on arrival at the hospital authorities said.

ASTOUNDING NEW CONTEST!

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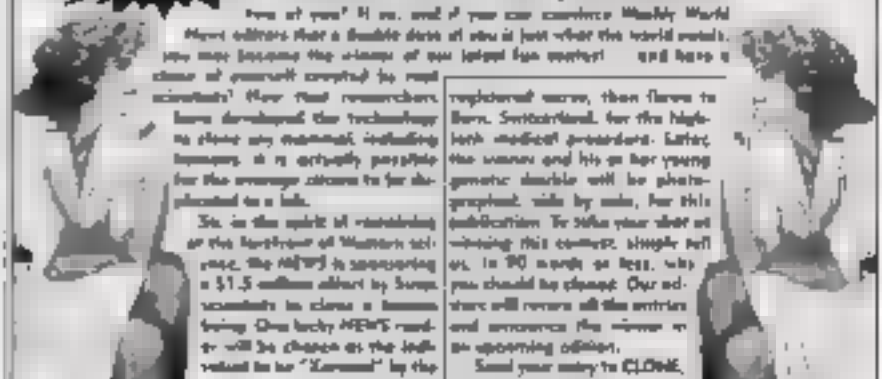

resplendent waters, then flown to Bern, Switzerland, for the high-tech medical procedure. Later, the woman and his or her young genetic double will be photographed, side by side, for this publication. To take your shot at winning this contest, simply tell us, in 50 words or less, why you should be cloned. Our editors will review all the entries and announce the winner in an upcoming edition.

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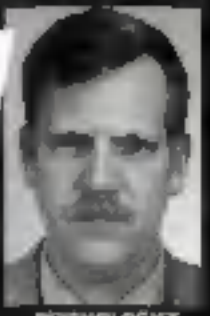
CHALLENGER:

Child-care advocates vow to KO baby boxing in U.S.

PSYCHO TOT!

This is child abuse at its worst, says psychologist!



PSYCHOLOGIST Dr. Samuel Fortner.

The hot new European sport of Baby Boxing is on its way to the United States — but child-care advocates here are vowing to have it banned here before the first punch is thrown!

By ALEX MORGAN
Weekly World News

"This is child abuse at its worst," said Dr. Samuel Fortner, a Chicago, Ill., child psychologist and author of several books on parenting. "Children less than 3 years old are being trained to inflict punishment on other children — and this is done for the entertainment of adults."

Dr. Fortner points out that some of the boxers begin training when they are less than 6 months old.

"Surely no sane person can believe this is an acceptable activity," he said.

But in Europe, there are thousands of people who flock to arenas to watch Baby Boxing — and even place down big money bets on their favorite fighters.

"The baby fighters are far more exciting than any of the overpaid professional prizefighters I used to watch," said Ian McCloud of Dublin, Ireland.

"The kids are so unpredictable, you never know who's going to end up winning any bout."

The sport is so popular in Europe that two newsletters and one magazine have popped up to cover Baby Boxing exclusively.

One promoter of the events is Thomas Leeder of Manchester, England. He claims the bouts are "safe and entertaining."

"I would be insane to put my competitors in an unsafe situation where one of them might get injured," he said. "We give them big, soft gloves that couldn't hurt anyone.

"Most of the time, the kids just throw a few lady punches until one of them gets knocked down. And just about every time one of them goes down, he gets right back up and keeps going."

That continual up-and-down is a big part of the fun of Baby Boxing, fans say. In a professional bout, it's rare to see more than three or four knockdowns. But in Baby Boxing, even the winner might go down maybe 20 or 30 times a bout.

"When kids are less than 3 years old, they are used to falling down, and they are almost never hurt by their falls," Leeder said. "When these kids start bouncing up and down like rubber balls, it's one of the most exciting sights I've ever seen."

The Baby Boxers are usually identified by nicknames like The Mini-Bomb, Tiny Slugger or Teacup Terror.

"We don't even use the kids' real names," Leeder said. "We protect their identity, as their families don't have privacy considerations to worry about."

Leeder said he has Baby Boxing shows planned for early next year in the United States, but Dr. Fortner vows to stop them.

"There will never be Baby Boxing in the United States as long as I'm alive," he said. "It is a barbaric practice."

UNDEFEATED IN 123 BOUTS — EUROPEAN CHAMP:

DIAPER DYNAMITE!

Parents' BIGGEST mistakes in feeding kids!

By RICHARD SHERMAN
Weekly World News

Teaching your children bad eating habits can curse them with obesity, heart disease, high cholesterol and other health problems down the road, experts warn.

Here, from leading dieticians, are the most common mistakes parents make in feeding their kids — and how to get back on the right track:

● **TREATING YOUR CHILDREN TO HIGH-FAT SNACKS** such as cookies or potato chips. Instead, serve them healthy fruit, carrots, yogurt or popcorn.

● **LETTING YOUR KIDS ORDER GREASY HAMBURGERS** at fast-food restaurants. Order grilled chicken instead — that, as well as using food as a reward, can lead to overeating.

● **SERVING SUGARY, HIGH-CALORIE SOFT DRINKS.** Instead, give kids plenty of water and low-fat milk.

● **LETTING JUNIOR EAT ALONE BY HIMSELF.** Insist on sitting down to supper as a family. When family members eat together, they're more likely to stick to a healthy diet.

● **EATING JUNK FOOD** in front of your children. Be a positive role

Woman fired for carrying sister's child

Associated Press

NEWARK — Roxanne Cook had worked through two pregnancies at the First Morris Bank and didn't expect anything but congratulations for the third one.

Instead, she [illegible]

"I can't imagine anyone who would be offended by it."

She was fired after filing a claim for a ring she said she lost in [illegible] employee bathroom, and [illegible] at $6,000.

By JACK ALEXANDER
Weekly World News

MORRISTOWN, N.J. — When Roxanne Cook decided to become a surrogate mom and have her cancer-stricken sister's baby, she didn't know she would lose her job and see her reputation ruined forever.

'I HAD A BABY FOR MY DYING SISTER

— & it cost me my job, my reputation & my pride!'

MRS. ROXANNE COOK filed a $250,000 discrimination suit against the bank that fired her.

A veteran branch manager for First Morris Bank, Mrs. Cook, 41, was about three months pregnant when she got the heartbreaking news that she had been fired from the $37,000-a-year job she had held for eight years.

She was terminated by bank official Ralph Riccioni, who explained to her that she was an "at-will" employee — despite those eight years on the job, a "quality" job performance rating and a merit pay raise just five months earlier.

An "at-will" employee can be legally fired at any time, with or without reason, provided no discrimination or other laws are broken, bank lawyer Arthur Raynes said.

"Nothing had changed [at the time of the firing]," Mrs. Cook said. Her pregnancy, she added, "was the only thing that was different."

"I wanted to give my sister a child that she couldn't have on her own," Mrs. Cook said.

She was replaced by a woman she says being interviewed a week after she told co-workers about her pregnancy.

Mrs. Cook filed a $250,000 damage suit against the bank, claiming her firing was a discriminatory, ultra-conservative reaction by the bank to her decision to become artificially inseminated with sperm donated by the husband of her younger sister Antoinette Del Bueno. Mrs. Cook gave birth to a boy Joseph in November 1994, six months after she was fired. Mrs. Del Bueno is still fighting cancer.

Bank lawyer Raynes said Mrs. Cook was fired because of mounting questions about her honesty and missing money dating back to 1994 — though she was never accused of or reprimanded for any wrongdoing at the bank.

"You would have me stay in a position of that magnitude suspecting me of something? It just doesn't make any sense," she said.

Mrs. Cook, who now works for an eye doctor, is the victim of slick-in-the-mud bank brass who instruct workers to "conduct their personal affairs so that there can be no opportunity for unfavorable reflection upon the bank," said her lawyer Walter Lucas.

Unfortunately for Mrs. Cook, she couldn't convince a jury of four women and two men that she was fired unfairly, and lost her case.

Despite her ordeal, Mrs. Cook said she'd "do it all over again because my sister has a beautiful child."

"We accomplished what we set out to do, but a lot of untrue, not nice things have been said about me.

"This whole thing started to give my sister a child.

"I don't know how it blew up into this insane situation."

Oldster shoots himself in head and doesn't know it!

An 80-year-old Canadian man went to a doctor after suffering with a headache for 10 days — and found out that he had accidentally shot himself in the head.

"It was a miracle he survived," said Police Sgt. Roy

3 top transplant docs, seven others busted for stealing kidneys

NEW DELHI, India — A ring of 10 organ thieves, including three respected surgeons, was nabbed by cops for [illegible] poor people with promises of cash or jobs — then shocking their victims and selling them!

The suspects, including the owner of the prestigious Noble Medicare Center, where the illicit operations allegedly took place, were arrested.

Big victims were promised lucrative jobs as far away as Singapore — on the condition that they report to the hospital for an examination.

There they were put under anesthesia, and their kidneys were removed.

transplant recipients paid the unscrupulous doctors

GREAT BALLS OF FIRE!

QUICK-THINKING Mary Shilder knew her attacker's pants were highly flammable

Gal torches mugger's privates with butane cigarette lighter

CHICAGO — The mugger who tried to rob quick-thinking Mary Shilder at knifepoint is very sorry he did — because she lit the crotch of his pants on fire and burned his genitals to a crisp!

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Police say her assailant picked "the wrong victim at the wrong time" when he approached the gutsy clothing saleswoman as she was about to enjoy an after-work cigarette.

"I had just finished my shift," says Miss Shilder, 28.

"I stepped out into the parking lot of the mall and was lighting up when he grabbed me from behind. I was holding the butane lighter — he was holding the knife.

"He said, 'Give me your purse or I'll slit your throat.'

"I was furious that he would dare to rob me. But I was just about to hand him my purse when I noticed he was wearing polyester pants. I work in men's fashion, so I happened to know those pants are highly flammable.

"I figured it was worth a try. I jerked my hand into his groin and struck the lighter. I heard a 'whooshing' sound and then a loud scream. He let go of my neck and when I turned around, he was rolling around on the ground, his pants in flames."

The still-unnamed suspect was treated for third-degree burns and hospital officials say his penis and testicles may have been irreparably damaged.

"He may be out of commission, sexually, for the rest of his life," said a nurse who treated the man.

Miss Shilder says it's unfortunate that the mugger was hurt but adds, "If someone had to get hurt, better him than me."

'His crotch went up with a whoosh!'

Basketball player SLAM-DUNKED TO DEATH!

KIEV, Ukraine — One more reason why those Eastern Europeans shouldn't try to play our great American game of basketball: A man died when he tried a slam dunk and knocked the backboard off its post.

The whole thing fell on him.

FREE BUS RIDE LANDS TWENTY SANE PEOPLE IN NUTHOUSE!

HARARE, Zimbabwe — A busload of inmates being taken to the nuthouse escaped when the driver stopped for lunch — so he promptly replaced them with sane passengers — and took them to the mental hospital.

When the driver — who wasn't identified — discovered the 20 mental patients missing, he drove to the mental hospital and alerted authorities to the mix-up.

At Rubaraye Mental Hospital here, telling hospital staff members the unsuspecting passengers were insane and easily excitable.

Three days before the medical staff realized they weren't cra-

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